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NEHRU'S DISCOVERY OF AMERICA

Truman Greets Prime Minister In Washington

WASHINGTON, October 11.

PANDIT JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, Prime Minister of India, was officially welcomed by President Harry Truman upon his arrival here this afternoon, as the respected leader of a great nation of free people.

Arriving from London aboard the Independence, President Truman's personal plane, Pandit Nehru was received at the National Airport by the President with full military honours. The President told Pandit Nehru that he hoped the Prime Minister's four-week air tour of the United States would be in a sense a "discovery of America".

The President said, in full: "Mr. Prime Minister, I am very happy to welcome you to this country on behalf of the Government and people of the United States. I greet you not only as the chief minister of your Government, but also as the loved and respected leader of a great nation of free people.

"Destiny willed it that our country should have been discovered in the search for a new route to India. I hope that your visit, too, will be in a sense a discovery of America.

"I extend to you the hospitality and goodwill of the people of the United States with the hope that your visit among us will leave you with the firm conviction that we are indeed your warm friends."

He was accompanied on the President's plane by his daughter Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai (Secretary-General of the External Affairs Department of the Government of India) and Sir Chintaman Deshmukh (Chairman of the International Monetary Fund) and the Indian Government's economic affairs advisers in America and Europe.

A salute of 19 guns was given when Pandit Nehru descended from his plane.

President Truman greeted Pandit Nehru cordially and presented members of the Cabinet and the reception committeee.

After the brief welcoming address at the airport by the President, the two leaders drove to Blair House, official residence of President and Mrs. Truman during White House renovation. Later in the evening, the Trumans will honour Pandit Nehru at a state dinner at Blair House, and the Prime Minister will spend the night there.

Tomorrow (Wednesday) morning a busy round of activities in and around the national capital begins for the visitor. He will visit Mount Vernon, home of the first American President, George Washington, and afterwards lay a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Arlington National Cemetery. In the afternoon there will be a reception at the Indian chancery for the Indian community and Indian students, and in the evening Secretary of State and Mrs. Acheson will give a dinner in the Prime Minister's honour at Anderson House.

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MADE TO ORDER WEATHER, TOO!

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11, (PTI): "Indian weather" will greet Pandit Nehru when he arrives. Yesterday the maximum was 86 degrees and today's high is forecast at 85. The mornings are, however, cool and pleasant.

Continuation of the present hot weather is predicted throughout Pandit Nehru's stay, both here and in New York.

In New York yesterday, the thermometer touched 88 degrees. "It was too hot to be called an Indian summer yesterday," The "Herald Tribune" said.

In Washington, the police chief has for the first time in 16 years, directed that policemen may unbutton their jackets "until the weather moderates."

THEY COULD HAVE JOINED PAKISTAN, BUT CHOSE INDIA

While fixing the new demarcation line in Jammu and Kashmir, agreed upon by both Indian and Pakistan Governments, the people in the northern areas had an option to join Pakistan, but they deliberately opted for India. Over 1,300 persons have crossed the line to live in the territory under India. These are some of the refugees from Gurez Sector who recently opted for India. At extreme left appears Kabba Khan, popularly known as 'Jail Baba', the Administrator of Gurez.—PIB.

STABBING INCIDENT IN SURAT

2 Killed In Police Firing On Unruly Crowd

SURAT, Oct. 11 (PTI): Two persons were killed and four others were seriously injured as a result of police firing on a riotous crowd in the south-eastern part of Surat tonight. It is stated that the crowd had gathered there following a stabbing incident in the area in a quarrel between two persons belonging to different communities.

While the person with stab injury was being removed to hospital in a private car, it is learnt, a crowd of about 2,000 (belonging to the community of the injured man) gathered on the spot.

Leading Congressmen, the Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Vasavada and police officials tried to pacify the crowd for nearly two and a half hours. But the crowd refused to disperse and began hurling stones and missiles.

The police then opened fire. Two persons were killed, one of them on the spot, and four others (and not as reported earlier) seriously injured. The injured include a woman.

The situation is now under control. But there is still some tension in the disturbed area, it is learnt.

Arrested On Suspicion Of Intentions!

HOSHIARPUR, Oct. 11, (PTI): Twelve persons were taken into custody by the police on the outskirts of Hoshiarpur on suspicion that they intended to hold a demonstration at the local Government College, where the Governor was today laying the foundation stone of a biological laboratory. Ten of them were later released and two detained.

POLICE KILL DETENU

41 Others Hurt In Jail Clash

MADRAS, Oct. 11, (PTI).

GUARDS at the Cuddalore Central Jail today opened fire on Communist detenus who had assumed a threatening attitude and failed to disperse after a lathi-charge, according to reports here. One detenu was killed and another seriously injured in the firing.

Sixteen detenus were slightly injured in the lathi-charge. Police casualties were 24 injured.

According to the reports, the Superintendent of the Jail ordered the detenus, who had approached him in in a body with certain demands to disperse. The detenus refused and assumed a threatening attitude. When a lathi-charge failed to disperse the detenus, the Superintendent ordered the guards to open fire.

LEGISLATORS USE HANDS

SIMLA Oct. 11 (UPI).

TWO rival members of the East Punjab Assembly exchanged blows in the lobbies of the Assembly this afternoon, it is reported.

While the Assembly was in session, the two M.L.As started arguing in the lobbies, Exchange of hot words led to slaps and blows. Dr. Lehna Singh Sethi, General Secretary, and other M.L.As intervened and separated the Combatants.

CALCUTTA IN GRIP OF SALT PANIC

Prices Shoot Up By 500 Percent!

CALCUTTA, Oct. 11, (PTI): Price of salt in the city and suburbs rocketed to annas twelve a seer today from the normal annas two, as people thronged grocery shops to obtain as much quantity of salt as possible before they feared the commodity went the way of sugar.

The cause of all this hectic buying by panicky people was a rumour that salt would soon be made a controlled commodity. So great was the rush for salt that some grocers fearing an outbreak closed their shops.

There was not the slightest apprehension of a salt famine or shortage in West Bengal, said the Minister for Civil Supplies, Mr. P. C. Sen, today.

He said that today's situation was entirely due to mischievous propaganda by interested people. Salt was available in Calcutta in any quantity from the wholesalers at prices prevailing two days ago (two annas per seer), he said.

CROWD LOOTS POLICE CHOWKI

JAIPUR, Oct. 11, (PTI): A crowd of about 150 strong looted a police chowki in a village in Dungarpur District in the Udaipur division of Rajasthan last week, according to a message received here.

The raiders inflicted injuries on a constable and removed two muskets, one muzzle loading gun, and property worth Rs. 22,000. Twenty persons have been arrested in connection with the incident and property worth Rs. 2,500 and one musket recovered.

Central Ministers Cut Salaries

PRELUDE TO STRINGENT NATIONAL ECONOMY

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11.

MINISTERS of the Central Government have agreed to a fifteen per cent cut in their salaries. Although the actual amount of saving would be negligible, it should have psychological effect and should enable the ministries to cut down all unnecessary expenditure.

A cut in the salaries of the superior staff is also envisaged. According to lobby reports, Sardar Patel has been examining the expenditure of every Ministry with a view to their curtailment. He is expected to announce his award on October 15. A reauction in the strength of the Central Cabinet is also anticipated here.

Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar who was entrusted with the planning of the new set-up for the Government of India has finished his report and is expected to submit it to the Acting Prime Minister Sardar Patel during the next ten days. According to lobby reports his scheme is expected to reduce the size of the Government with a view to making it more manageable and efficient.

LEAD TO ASSEMBLY MEMBERS

It is not known when this voluntary cut would be given effect to, (adds UPI). Lobby gossips indicated today that in view of this example to be set by the Cabinet Ministers the members of the Assembly may also voluntarily accept a similar cut in their daily allowances.

It is further understood that two alternative suggestions in this connection are at present under the consideration of the various departmental heads in the Central Secretariat namely: (A) all Government servants are to be placed on the salary scale recommended by the Pay Commission, which is lower than what they have been drawing at present; or (B) a fifteen per cent cut in the salary drawn by Government servants at present on the old scale.

It is, however, definite that all Government servants drawing salaries upto Rs. 400 per month at present will be exempted from the proposed cut of fifteen per cent.

Calcutta Wants Sugar

CALCUTTA, Oct. 11, (P. T. I.): The West Bengal Minister for Civil Supplies, Mr. P. C. Sen, said today that if the rationing of sugar, started here yesterday, was to be continued in view of the limited supply now available, further allocations from the centre was urgently necessary.

One Rupee For President

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11 (PTI).

PROF. Shibban Lal Saksena, Congress member of the Constituent Assembly and Labour leader, has tabled an amendment suggesting that the President of the Republican India should receive a salary of rupee one, a month.

He has given notice of an amendment to that effect.

The Drafting Committee has proposed the President's salary to be Rs. 10,000 a month.

SOCIALIST PREMIER FOR FRANCE

PARIS, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).—French Socialist leader Jules Moch, Minister of the Interior in the Queuille Cabinet tonight accepted the job of forming France's 13th Government since the liberation.

He was named Premier-designate by President Vincent Auriol.

This morning President Vincent Auriol unsuccessfully tried to swing three dissentient groups behind M. Moch's plan under which all workers earning less than 15,000 francs (about £15) monthly would get a bonus.

More Showers Today

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

More showers are expected in the City and suburbs tomorrow morning, but after noon the weather will improve, states a weather bulletin issued by the Santa Cruz Meteorological Forecasting Station tonight.

The bulletin adds that the low pressure area lies this evening over the Central Provinces and its neighbourhood and sharp local thundershowers are expected in North Konkan and North Bombay Deccan. Chief amounts of rainfall recorded between 8-30 a.m. and 5-30 p.m. today are:—Juhu 1-1/2 inches, Dahanu 3/4, Colaba, Santa Cruz and Malegaon 1/2 inch.

STATES WILL BE UNDER PRESIDENT'S CONTROL

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11 (UPI).

THE Congress Party in the Constituent Assembly tonight accepted the constitution of the Indian States, it is understood. The constitution which is expected to come up before the Constituent Assembly tomorrow evening seeks to bring the States to the level of the Provinces with a few differences.

The most important provision in the constitution of the States is that for a period of ten years from the commencement of this constitution or during such longer or shorter period as Parliament may by law provide in respect of any State," the Government of every State shall be under the general control of and comply with such particular directions, if any, as may from time to time given by the President; and any failure to comply with such directions shall be deemed to be a failure to carry out the Government of the State in accordance with the provisions of this constitution."

Sardar Patel, Minister for States, is reported to have told the Party that the Indian States were "children" of the Government of India, and they should not be afraid of "paternal" guidance. He is understood to have said that the States had no experience in democracy and they had to learn by experience. This overall power of the Government of India, said Sardar Patel, would not be exercised unless it was considered necessary in the interest of the country.

RESERVATION

The Party is also understood to have decided that reservation in the services should be confined to the minorities recognised as such in the constitution (adds P.T.I.)

This would exclude Muslims and Sikhs. Lobby opinion favours a ten-year limit to such reservation for the Scheduled Castes and tribes. At the Party meeting today, some of the Scheduled Caste representatives are stated to have agreed to leave the matter to be decided by the Deputy Prime Minister.

The Party agreed to fix the President's salary at Rs. 10,000 a month with income-tax. It is stated that according to the present level of taxation, this would amount to a net income of Rs. 4,700 a month.

Lobby talks indicate that the present session of the Constituent Assembly will be able to conclude the second reading of the constitution by October 16. The third reading is likely to be taken up after the arrival of Pandit Nehru from the United States. The session might begin on November 16 and conclude by November 26. The Indian Parliament is likely to sit from November 28 to December 23.

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B. E. S. & T. UNDERTAKING.

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NOTICE OF TENDER

MILITARY ENGINEER SERVICES

TENDERS are invited from Contractors, who are borne on the Approved List of M.E.S. Contractors and within whose financial limits the value of the work lies, by the Chief Engineer, Southern Command, Poona for the Construction of Permanent Naval Armament Depot (Phase I) at Vizagapatam. The work is estimated to cost about Rs. 16.5 lakhs.

Application for tender forms must be submitted on or before 25th October 1949. Only contractors borne on M.E.S. Approved List should apply.

Copies of the conditions of Contract and Drawings would be open for inspection in the Office of the Chief Engineer, Southern Command, Poona, during Office hours after 27th October, 1949.

Tender documents will be issued on and after 28th October, 1949.

Tenders will be received by 15-00 hours on 21st November, 1949.

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NOTICE OF TENDER

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2. Other suitable Contractors, though not on the M.E.S. List may also apply for tender and in the event of their being selected to tender, they will be required to be enlisted as M.E.S. Contractor before concluding contracts with them.

3. Applications for Tender Forms must be submitted on or before 18-10-49 to the Commander Royal Indian Engineers (Projects) Poona Ghorpuri Barracks, POONA 1.

4. Copies of conditions of contract, drawings and all other documents concerned with the work will be open for inspections in the Offices C.E.S.C., C.R.I.E. (Projects) Poona & G.E. R.I.A.F. Poona respectively during office hours.

5. Tenders Documents will be issued on or after 25-10-49 and upto 26-10-49.

6. Tenders will be received by 11-00 hours on 7-11-49.

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NOTICE

TENDERS are invited for the construction work on Rate basis for the Building to be constructed at Sion Plot No. 9(E) S. M. Estate. Tender Forms are available at the Office of M/s Jamnadas & Bhide, Architects, 134 Medows Street, Fort, Bombay. The closing date of the Tender 25th. Oct., 1949. The owner is not bound to accept lowest or any Tender.

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TWO HUNDRED MORE BUSES IN CITY

Improvements In Service

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A PROPOSAL to raise a loan of one crore of rupees to purchase about two hundred new buses, to augment the present fleet of the B.E.S.T. Undertaking, will, it is learnt, shortly be made by the General Manager of the Undertaking, to the B.E.S.T. Committee of the Bombay Municipality.

With the contemplated release of nine double-decker buses some time this month, there will be a fleet of 300 buses plying on the roads of Greater Bombay. The target aimed at is a fleet of 500 buses.

The number of buses which were operating in the City when the B.E.S.T. was a private concern, was 160. Since August 1947, when the Company was Municipalised, 119 buses have been added, bringing the total number in operation to 279.

34 ROUTES NOW

While the number of routes covered in the old days, was 14, today 34 routes are in operation, some of the routes, being only smaller runs on the same route. The additional routes are A1, A2, A3, A Ltd., B1, B Ltd, D1, D Ltd., E1, F Ltd, G1, G Ltd, J1, J Ltd, L, M, M1, M2, N1, O, O1, P and P1.

Besides these, five services formerly catered for, by the Bandra Bus Company in Greater Bombay, are now served by the B.E.S.T.

Among the new routes opened in Greater Bombay, 11 Double Deckers are plying on the Flora Fountain-Jogeshvari Route, and 15 single deckers are now plying on the subsidiary routes in Bandra and beyond. The seating accommodation of these 26 buses, is learnt to be equal to if not more than, the entire seating capacity of the Bandra Bus Company's vehicles, which were about 41. Due to the B.E.S.T. buses being in a much better condition than the vehicles formerly in use, the service is regarded as more efficient. The complaint about the old buses was that there were frequent breakdowns, which caused a great deal of inconvenience to passengers.

It is learnt that there are no State Transport vehicles in the extended service. On the first day, the State Transport authorities, sent a fleet of 20 buses to help the B.E.S.T. to take over. Beyond conveying the B.E.S.T. drivers and conductors to Mahim, the buses were not made use of to any great extent. They were returned the very next day, along with a batch of 20 drivers, who had been despatched with the vehicles.

A spokesman of the B.E.S.T. said that the State Transport vehicles were not put to use, as there was a shortage of conductors. The B.E.S.T. hoped to get back the buses from the State Transport authorities, if the vehicles could be loaned for at least one year.

AN OFFER

The B.E.S.T., the same spokesman said, had circularised a notice among the ex-employees of the Bandra Bus Company, that the Undertaking was prepared to absorb them, if they went through the B.E.S.T. Training School. While the conductors would receive no pay during the short time they spent in school, the drivers would receive salaries. The rules in existence laid down that while drivers under training in the school, should be paid, conductors were qualified to receive salary only after the training period was over.

So far, no employee of the Bandra Bus Company, had been absorbed, and there was no question of their losing any pay during the interim period. Since the Bandra Bus Company had served them all with notices, they would get notice pay.

SURPRISE IN A BAG

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A "vanity bag" which was found lying on the road near Hanuman Galli, Kalbadevi, proved to be a veritable bag and surprises, when it was opened by the Police for identification of its ownership.

On his way to his office, yesterday morning, a man was crossing Hanuman Galli when he noticed a vanity case lying across his path. The man picked up the bag and without examining it took it to the Princess Street Police Station, where he left it in charge of the Inspector on duty to be returned to its rightful owner, should the latter call for it.

The officer opened the case in the hope that the bag would contain some clue to its ownership. There was nothing however to reveal the address or owners name. Instead the police found that the bag contained some jewellery carelessly tossed into bag. Closed examination of the bag revealed that the ornaments were of pure gold, and set with costly stones. Though the exact value of the find is not known, it is believed that the jewellery is worth around Rs. 7,000.

Theft Of Car: Two Arrests

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Two persons were arrested by the Colaba Police week-end on a charge of theft of a motor car, belonging to a city businessman, which was parked outside the Regal Theatre, opposite the Museum.

Ishardas N. Mallick, the businessman staying at Worli Seaface, went with his family to see a picture at the Regal Theatre on last Saturday. As usual he parked his car outside the theatre. He found the car missing when he came out after the show, the police stated. Ishardas immediately reported the matter to the Colaba Police.

Later when he alighted at the Churchgate Railway Station in a "C" route bus, to a catch a train, he heard the horn of a vehicle quite similar to that of his own car. He spotted out his automobile being held up in the traffic jam. Ishwardas pulled out the man at the wheel of his car and handed over him to the Police.

WITHHOLDING OF ESSENTIAL SUPPLY

Tenants' Application Fails In High Court

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Weston and Mr. Justice Shah)

V. G. Sayadiants ..... Applicant
Versus
Jamshed P. C. Shroff ..... Opponent

Observing that except in very exceptional cases, it would not be expected that a criminal court would be called upon to consider whether a landlord had without just cause withheld any essential supply enjoyed by the tenant, their Lordships dismissed a criminal revision application against the order of a Presidency Magistrate refusing to issue process and discharging the notice.

The opponent owns an immoveable property at Colaba of which the applicant had been a tenant for about five years. Since June 1948, the opponent had restricted the use of the lift as well as the lights on the staircase to 10-30 p.m. The applicant thereupon filed a complaint against the opponent of an offence under section 24(4) of the Rent Act of 1947. On this complaint a notice was issued but the Magistrate having refused process and discharged the notice on the ground that the landlord had the right of regulating reasonably the hours during which the service should be made available and that the withdrawal of the service during certain parts of the night was not unreasonable, the applicant approached the High Court in Revision. Their Lordships were of opinion that on that view of the matter, this was not a case in which the interference of the High Court in Revision was called for, and dismissed the application. Their Lordships further observed that in the first instance the normal course was for the tenant to make an application to the Court of Small Causes for restoration of the supply which was essential which would consider the question of sufficient cause.

Mr. S. G. Patwardhan appeared for the applicant.

Mr. E. G. Ghaswalla with Mr. B. G. Thakore instructed by Messrs. Gagrat and Co., appeared for the opponent.

The Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

CARELESS STORAGE OF EXPLOSIVES

Partners Of Firm Arrested

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Babulal Ochanlal and Babulal Keshavlal, partners of the firm, Babulal and Company, Kalbadevi, dealing in laboratory requisites, were arrested by the Princess Street Police yesterday on a charge of negligent keeping and handling of explosive materials, which resulted in the outbreak of disastrous fire in their godown last week, killing two employees and causing great damages.

The Police stated at the Esplanade Police Court today that the accused stored various chemicals including combustible and highly inflammable materials in a room on the first floor of their building at Hanuman Lane, Kalbadevi. Further they alleged that they were dealing in materials like Ether Petroleum, Acetone, Mythil Alcohol, Picric Acid, Xylol, Sodium Chlorate etc., without a proper license from the authorities.

On October 3, while Kanoo, the brother of the second accused; and Maruthi, both employees of the firm, were working in the godown in the evening, a fire broke out in the storage room, speading rapidly all around and threatening the neighbouring buildings. Both the employees were trapped in the fumes of the burning combustible materials and their charred bodies were recovered by the Fire Brigade subsequently.

Mr. Oscar H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, released both the accused in a sum of Rs. 5,000 each.

TERRITORIAL ARMY DAY IN JULLUNDUR

JULLUNDUR, Oct. 10 (PTI):—Sir Chandulal Trivedi, Governor East Punjab, inaugurated Territorial Army Day in Jullundur today.

His Excellency said that unlike its predecessor this Territorial Army would have no distinction of caste, colour or creed. Every citizen of India would be eligible to join it.

It would be the country's second line of defence. "East Punjab" said the Governor "is the sword arm of India. The martial spirit of the inhabitants of this province is already known. I sincerely trust that the Territorial Army of East Punjab will always be ready to undertake its task of defending the country."

Mr. Maheshwar V. Thakur, nephew of Mr. S. K. Patil, whose marriage to Miss Vatsala Ajgaonkar takes place on Tuesday. Mr. Maheshwar V. Thakur is a Congress worker and is a trusted lieutenant of his uncle.

BOOKS BANNED

The Government of West Bengal has banned the booklet in Bengali entitled, "Jaile Bandi Hatyar Pratishodh Chai" (The murder of the prisoners of the jail must be avenged).

The Government of the United Provinces has banned the book in Urdu entitled, "Haqiqat-i-Jihad," written by Syed Abdull-ala-Maudoodi and printed and published by Taj Company Limited, Lahore (Pakistan).

FOREIGN LIQUOR SEIZED

Smuggler's Plan Foiled

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Learning that vast quantities of liquor were being smuggled into the city from the Portuguese possession of Daman by means of country craft, the Prohibition Police kept a constant vigil to detect and smash the racket, which, it is learnt, was assuming menacing proportions, to the detriment of the Bombay Government's Prohibition drive.

This morning, a special police party which kept an all-night vigil for a country craft that was making for Bombay shores, is said to have intercepted the vessel and seized 322 bottles of costly foreign liquor which was cleverly concealed aboard in the midst of other cargoes.

All the members of the smugglers' gang are reported to have been arrested by the raiding Police party.

It may be mentioned that in Portuguese India, that is, in Goa, Daman and Diu, a bottle of Scotch Whisky is available at Rs. 10, which is again the price quoted by profiteers in that territory. A bottle of brandy costs Rs. 4/8. A bottle of Scotch Whisky smuggled from Portuguese India to Bombay is sold at Rs. 50 and above and a bottle of brandy at Rs. 35 and above. Other foreign liquors like gin, rum, vermouth, sherry and table wines also fetch very high prices in partially dry Bombay.

Finding the trade very lucrative, smugglers are reported to be busy clandestinely importing vast quantities of liquor from Portuguese possessions into Bombay.

Our Madras Letter:

AGITATION OF ZAMINDARS BEARS FRUIT

Bill To Provide Interim Compensation

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MADRAS, (By Air Mail).

THE agitation carried on by the Madras zamindars for inducing the Provincial Government to pay them an interim compensation, pending the determination of the final amount of compensation, has yielded some satisfactory results judging from the statements made by the Madras Premier and the Madras Revenue Minister on their return from Delhi.

They had been there last week-end to confabulate with Sardar Patel, the Deputy Prime Minister, on the question, following representations made by the zamindars. On coming back from Delhi, the Premier said that the Government were proposing to introduce an amending Bill to the Madras Zamindari Abolition Bill, to facilitate payment of interim compensation to the zamindars.

The Madras Government was initially reluctant to accommodate the zamindars, and it was even argued that the scheme of annual allowances would be more profitable to the zamindars, because firstly, it would not be set-off against the final compensation amount and secondly, because the allowances would benefit all the dependents of the zamindars. They were also unwilling to commit themselves to the scheme of interim payments because it would impinge on the financial resources of the Government and would involve an amendment of the Act. But the High Command's intervention had made them change their attitude.

The zamindars, it is stated, desired that as much as 80 per cent of the compensation amount due should be paid to them immediately. It is doubtful if that request would be acceded to. It is very likely that provision will be made in the amending Bill for the payment of about 50 to 60 per cent of the amount.

It may be mentioned here that the total compensation payable to Madras zamindars has been estimated at Rs. 12½ crores. The Madras Government do not propose to levy any zamindari abolition levy as the United Provinces Government are doing, because of the comparatively limited amount they are liable to pay.

ANDHRA QUESTION

The decision of the Congress Working Committee on the Andhra province issue was what was expected by most people, after the various deputations that waited on the Prime Minister and the Working Committee. It does not of course concede the claim of the Andhra Convention deputation that half of Madras should be included in the Andhra province, but its significance consists in this that it reiterates the priority position accorded to Andhra province separation by the J. V. P. Report, and further says that the Government of India have also accepted the report, which in interpreted to mean that they are also definitely committed to the creation of the province earlier than other linguistic provinces.

It is reliably learnt that the Madras Government would not object to the separation of the Andhra province. This was made more or less clear by the Madras Premier, who said that the sooner the separation takes place the better it would be for all concerned. He also expressed the view that until the question of a separate Karnatak province was settled, the district of Bellary which is a bi-lingual district might be included in the Andhra province. It is not also expected that there will be any expedient from the side of the Tamil Nad Congress Committee, whose opposition, if at all, to the Andhra Province issue confined to the claim put forward by the Andhras for Madras city.

The Andhra Provincial Congress Committee has already adopted a resolution in favour of the formation of the province with the eleven Telugu-speaking districts, leaving the question of the city and the bilingual tracts surrounding it to the decision of a boundary commission.

It may be pointed out, however, that though the J. V. P. Report asked Andhras to give up their claim to Madras city, it did not say that the city should form part and parcel of a Tamil province. In fact a Tamil province has yet to be formed, without the Karnataka and Malabar districts, and therefore Madras would still be part of a composite province, whose future has to be finally decided. Mr. Bhaktavatsalam, Minister for Information, made this point clear in the course of a press interview.

ANTI-COMMUNIST DRIVE

The success attending the Government's anti-Communist drive in Madras province was referred to by the Inspector-General of Police, Madras in a function at Vijayawada whereat awards were distributed to police officer, who played a prominent part in that drive. Mr. Devasahayam, the I. G. pointed out that public feeling against the Communist had been roused in the various districts, where they were active all along, with the result that Communists find it difficult now to get any shelter anywhere. They are therefore surrendering in large numbers everywhere.

Members of the public and the villagers are actively co-operating with the police in apprehending the wanted Communists. They are forming themselves into units for the protection of their lives and their properties against the nefarious activities of Communist hands. The I. G. stated further that in July this year about 309 Communists were wanted in several cases, but during the last three months nearly 110 Communists thus wanted had been arrested, while 96 of them had surrendered voluntarily.

The police had also been successful in locating a press where Communist literature was being printed and recover a large amount of such literature. The number of police stations in Krishna, West Godavari and Guntur districts, and in Malabar district, had been considerably increased and this has restored public confidence. He stressed the need for public co-operation with the police in dealing with the Communist menace.

Ever since the imposition of the ban on Communist Party in the Madras province, reports are being received from different places of the surrender of Communists who had previously gone underground. There has been a remarkable absence of incidents of Communist goondaism in those districts where they were very active before.

ADVERTISEMENTS TAX BILL

Though not entirely unexpected, the decision of the Select Committee of the Madras Assembly not to proceed with the Advertisements Tax Bill introduced by the Madras Government in its entirety, caused some surprise. At one time the statements made by the Madras Premier and the Madras Finance Minister gave the impression that the Government were determined to proceed with the Bill or at least that part of it dealing with non-newspaper advertisements.

But evidently second thoughts had made them realise that it was not worth passing a measure only for the latter purpose, as the income that would be derived from taxing such advertisements would be very little.

SUGAR SCARCITY

Following the announcement of control measures for the distribution of sugar stocks in the province, a tendency to scarcity was artificially created in the Madras city markets. There was no stock of sugar in the market for a few days, but subsequently stocks were received and the Government have arranged for its retail distribution through ration shops and other authorised dealers on a rationed basis. The price of sugar was fixed at Re. 1-4-0 per viss.

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CITY & SUBURBS

Today

Hindu: Asoe Vad 5, 2005.
Muslim: Zilhej 19, 1368.
Parsi: Ardibehest 10, 1319.
Sunrise: 6-32 a.m. Sunset: 6-18 p.m
Hightide: 02-38, 14-07.
Lowtide: 08-20, 20-16.

Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: Meeting at the Corporation Building, 3-40 p.m., today.

OPENING OF EXHIBITION ON JOURNALISM IN THE U. S. A.: By the American Consul General, at the B. E. S. T. Conference Hall, today, 6-30 p.m.

COMMERCE GRADUATES ASSOCIATION: Mr. M. R Masani to speak on Brazil, at Cama Hall, today, 6-15 p.m.

RAMAKRISHNA VIVEKANANDA CENTRE: Swami Ranganathanandaji will hold a religious discourse at 84, Portuguese Street, Dadrar, today, 7 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Short talk on "Evolution": Our Next Step", at Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, today, 6-15 p.m.

LATE SIR ARDESHIR DALAL

Improvements Committee Adjourned

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A condolence resolution on the death of Sir Ardeshir Dalal, the Bombay industrialist who expired on Saturday afternoon, was passed at a meeting of the Municipal Improvements Committee this afternoon.

Moving the resolution Mr. V. B. Koregaonkar, Chairman of the Committee, expressed deep regret over the loss sustained by the country in general and this city in particular by the death of Sir Ardeshir. The speaker added that the late Sir Ardeshir had been a Municipal Commissioner for two years from December 1929, and had served the city admirably during his period of office, bringing to bear upon civic affairs his vast administrative experience.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Improvements Committee adjourned without transacting any business.

Mr. Hanumanthayya Returns From Stockholm

BOMBAY, Monday: Mr. Hanumanthayya, member of the Indian Constituent Assembly who attended the 38th session of the International Parliamentary Union at Stockholm in the first week of September, arrived in Bombay by air from Geneva this evening.

In an interview Mr. Hanumanthayya said they discussed many problems and that the main resolution referred to the establishment of world peace.

By the same plane also arrived from London Sir Chunilal B. Mehta who was on a business tour of The United States, London and Europe.

Mayor's Daughter To Wed

Mr. D. G. Nerurkar—Miss Susheela Patil.

THE city will see a great social event today, when the Mayor's daughter, Miss Susheela Patil, gets into wedlock with Mr. D. G. Nerurkar of Bombay.

Passing her Matriculation in 1942, Miss Patil joined the Elphinstone College but soon had to go to prison, as she participated in the National Movement. Graduating in 1947, she left for the U.S. with her brother for Post Graduate in Economics, at the Columbia University. She obtained her M.A. degree from that University in 1948. In that year, she was deputed with a party of students who carried out a survey of countries included in the 'Marshal Plan'.

In the course of this trip, she toured the U. K. and the continent, including France, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia. On her return after this tour, she again joined the Columbia University and did research work in psychology, anthropology and education. She had also accompanied her father on his tour of the West Coast in America in June last, and returned with him to India in July, 1949. She intends to take part in social work, particularly in connection with Women's Welfare and Labour Uplift Movements.

Mr. Nerurkar is an M.A of the Bombay University and is working as a sub-broker. He is also interested in Labour Movement.

Goa's Appeal To India

BOMBAY, Tuesday (UPI): The Goa National Congress has today appealed to the Indian people for moral and financial help in their struggle for liberation of Goa.

"We cannot count on help from Goa, because there exists a reign of terror exercised by the Government through the medium of its troops," it explains.

Ancient Coin Moulds For Museum

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11.

Valuable material of Indian coin moulds consisting of several thousand fragments which the late Dr. Birbal Sahni, the distinguished palaeobotanist, discovered in 1936 at Khokra Kot, near Rohtak, will now be deposited in the National Museum of India, New Delhi. Mrs. Sahni, who is in possession of these moulds, will make a present of them to the Prime Minister on his return from abroad.

This material formed the basis of most interesting monograph by the late Dr. Sahni himself on the technique of casting coins in ancient India.

TODAY'S RADIO

WEDNESDAY, October 12.
BOMBAY (A)

7-30 a.m. Shubha Smriti. 7-40 Aj Ka Kadyakram. 7-45 Pramodini Desai (Bhavgeet). 8-0 News (E). 8-15 News (H). 8-30 Nanu Chokshi (Gujarati Pad). 8-45 News (G).

12-45 p.m. Musical Interlude. 12-50 Nanu Chokshi (G. Geet). 1-0 News (G). 1-10 As in Bombay B. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Albert Sandler Trio. 2-0 Richard Tauber. Tenor. 2-10 Rawicz and Landauer. Piano Duettists. 5-0 Eknath Rao (Purvi). 5-30 As in Bombay B. 6-0 News (E). 6-10 News (H). 6-20 Chandrabai Jambolikar (Vocal). 7-0 Topic of day. 7-10 Local. 7-15 Pramodini Desai (Bhavgeet). 7-30 Basavraj Bhendigiri (Gat Tora on Tabla). 7-45 Kamkar Sabha. 8-15 News (G). 8-30 As in Bombay B. 9-0 News (E). 9-15 News (H). 9-30 As in Bombay B. 10-0 First Piano Quartet. 10-30 Michael Guida (Tenor) and Bettie Dubro (Mezzo Soprano). 10-45 First Piano Quartet.

BOMBAY B.

7-30 a.m. As in Bombay A. 7-45 News in Kannada. 8-0 Abdul Gaffoor. Khayal Vilambit aur Drut. 8-30 News (M) 8-45 Eknath Rao (Bhajan).

12-45 p.m. As in Bombay A. 12-50 News (M). 1 Thumri aur Dadra. 1-10 Gujarati Geet, Garba aur Bhajan. 1-40 News (H). 1-50 Variety programme (H, U and H). 2-20 Musical Interlude.

5-0 As in Bombay A. 5-30 Basavraj Bhendigiri (Gat Tora on Tabla). 5-45 R. V. Sohoni Bhajan (Mano). 6-0 Master Naushad Geet (Nepali). 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners. 7-15 As in Bombay A. 7-30 Commercial News. 7-45 News (K). 8-0 News (M). 8-15 Nanu Chokshi (G. Geet). 8-30 Bahot Hi Asan Hai (Talk in Urdu). 8-45 Pramodini Desai Hindi and Marathi songs: 9-0 Abdul Gaffoor (Khayal Vilambit aur Drut). 9-30 Veena. By Anant Charan Patro Mridangam: Bhaktawatsala Patro. 9-45 The Week in Retrospect. Review of current affairs by Frank Moraes. 10-0 "Kalagati" Marathi play, Written by Vyankatesh Madgulkar. 10-30 Chandrabai Jambolikar (Vocal).

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Bansari Vadan By Thakar. 7-40 Purshottam Gandharv. (Vilambit Khayal). 8-0 News (E). 8-15 Music Lesson. 8-30 Geet Lahri. 8-45 News (G).

5-30 p.m. As in Ahmedabad. 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Baburao Karnik and Party. Orchestral Music. 6-25 Bhagwatial N. Talati (traditional Bhajans) 6-35 Gramjano Mate. 7-0 Songs from the Screen. 7-15 Baburao Karnik and Party (Mamod and Pad). 7-30 Air Chorus Party. (Bhajan). 7-45 Purshottam Gandharv. (Khayal Shyam Kalyan). 8-0 Khurshid. 8-10 Locals and Weather Report. 8-15 News (G). 8-30 As in Ahmedabad. 9-0 News (E). 9-15 Book Review in English by Prof. S. R. Bhatt (from Ahmedabad). 9-30 As in Ahmedabad.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 a.m. Bhajan. By P. R. Barve. 7-40 As in Baroda. 8-0 News (E) 8-15 As in Baroda. 8-30 P. R. Barve (Geeto) 8-45 News (G).

5-30 p.m. Stree Sammelan.. 6-0 News (E) 6-10 As in Baroda. 6-25 Vrunda Geeto. 6-35 Majoor Bhaio Mate. 7-0 P R. Barve (Geeto). 7-15 As in Baroda. 7-30 Apni Pasandgi. 8-0 Tabla Par Gat Toda. 8-10 Locals. 8-15 News (G): 8-30 Nagardas Arjandas (Dilruba par Raag Puria). 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Review in English by Prof S. R. Bhatt. 9-30 Nagardas Arjandas (Dilruba par Rag Bageshri).

THE WEATHER

POONA, Oct. 11. (P. T. I.): The following is the weather summary for Tuesday, October 11:—

The low pressure area over North-East Hyderabad and the adjoining areas has become more diffuse and lies this morning over Hyderabad Berar.

Rainfall has been widespread in and near West Central Provinces and the southern divisions of Madhya Bharat and occurred locally along the Orissa and North Madras coasts, in East Central Provinces and Malabar.

Night temperatures were above normal over the whole country being appreciably so over the region extending from the United Provinces to North Hyderabad and Gujarat.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL WEDNESDAY EVENING: Rainfall will occur locally in West Central Provinces. Madhya Bharat, Gujarat, South Konkan. Scatered showers are likely elsewhere in the Peninsula and in Saurashtra, Orissa, Gangetic, West Bengal and Assam.

WEATHER CHART

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches durig the past 24 hours from October 1, 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. (I. S. T.). on October 11:—

Ahmedabad 98 79 0 0.3 plus 0.2, Ahmednagar 90 67 0 0.4 minus 0.8, Ajmer 93 68 0 0 minus 0.2, Akola 86 75 0.3 0.7 minus. 0.2, Allahabad 93 77 0 0.4 minus 0.9, Amraoti 90 73 0.8 1.2 plus 0.5, Aurangabad 87 73 0 0.1 minus 0.3, Bangalore 84 68 0.1 1.5 minus 1.6, Baroda 95 75 0 0 minus 9.3, Belgaum 84 67 T 0 minus 2.1, Bhuj 96 75 0 0 minus 0.1 BOMBAY 89 78 0 0.6 minus 0.6, Calcutta 92 77 T 1.0 minus 1.0, Cherrapunji 78 63 0 1.6 minus 7.3, Cuttack 83 82 0.1 4.4 plus 2.6, Delhi 94 69 0 0.1 minus 0.2, Devgad 88 78 0 0.2 —, Gwalior 78 70 0 6.9 —, Gulbarga 92 71 0 0.2 minus 0.8, Hanamkonda 85 75 0 0.1 minus 1.1, Honavar 87 72 0.1 0.1 —, Indore 91 71 0.2 0.5 minus 0.1, Jaipur 94 75 0 0 minus 0.3, Jubbulpore 88 74 0.1 2.1 plus 1.3, Khandwa 90 73 2.5 2.6 plus 1.8, Kodaikanal 63 51 0.4 3.3 minus 0.8, Kolhapur 88 68 0 0.2 —, Lahore 97 66 0 0 minus 0.1, Lucknow 91 75 0 0 minus 0.8, Madras 97 79 0 1.4 minus 1.6, Mahabaleshwar 75 62 0.5 minus 2.2, Marmagao 85 77 0 0.1 minus 2.2, Marmagao 85 77 0 0.1 minus 4.2, Mercara 72 64 0 2.1 minus 1.1, Nagpur 86 74 T 3.3 plus 2.7, Ootacamund 65 56 0.2 1.6 minus 1.4, Pachmarhi 77 68 0.1 0.5 minus 0.6, Patna 95 81 0.1 minus 1.0, Peshawar 91 65 0 0 minus 0.1, Poona 88 69 0 0.2 minus 1.4, Raichur 93 76 0 0.1 minus 0.7, Rajkot 98 71 0 minus 0.1, Ranchi 86 74 0.1 0.8 minus 0.3, Shillong 78 56 0.1 1.6 minus 0.9, Sholapur 94 68 0 0 minus 1.3, Simla 68 55 0 0.2 minus 0.7, Surat 98 79 0 1.5 plus 0.8.

RETRENCHMENT FIGURES IN INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

THE problem of retrenchment figured prominently among 188 of the 167 disputes that came up for conciliation under the Bombay Industrial Relations Act, 1946 during August.

In all, 69 industrial disputes were settled amicably through the intervention of Conciliators, while no settlement was possible in 31 cases. In 30 cases, the parties did not pursue the matter further; in nine cases parties entered into settlements and in 11 other cases reference to arbitration was made by representative unions in Ahmedabad and Surat under Section 73(a) of the Bombay Industrial Relations Act.

MOSTLY TEXTILE DISPUTES

Out of the 167 disputes that came up for conciliation under the Industrial Relations Act, 141 were from the textile industry, ten each from the silk and textile processing industries two from industry engaged in the generation and supply of electrical energy and one each was from the wolwoollen textile, hosiery textile and sugar industries and the Public Passenger and Transport Services. Apart from the 118 disputes in which retrenchment was one of the issues pay allowances and bonus accounted for 37 disputes, while in 12 disputes leave hours of work and other miscellaneous matters figured.

Conciliators were successful in 44 disputes under the Bombay Industrial Relations Act, while no settlement was possible in seven disputes. Of the remaining, seven were withdrawn by the parties and proceedings discontinued in 20 cases. Outside the Bombay Industrial Relations Act, intervention was successful in 25 cases Twenty-three other cases were not while no settlement could be brought about in 24 cases pursued further. Outside the Industrial Relations Act, pay, allowances and bonus accounted for 108 out of the 186, while 70 disputes arose from matters such as employment, leave, hours of work, etc.

The number of registered trade unions under the Indian Trade Unions Act rose by 14 to 521 on August 31.

No General Releases In Madras

MADRAS, Oct. 11, (PTI): Mr. K. Madhava Menon, Minister for Education in charge of Law, said today there would "not be any automatic release" of persons now under detention as a result of the High Court judgment yesterday invalidating all provisions except one of the Ordinance in respect of the Maintenance of the Public Order Act under which they have been detained

There are at present about 700 detenus, most of them Communists in various jails in the province.

The Madras Cabinet is understood to have considered the situation arising from the judgment, but no authoritative information was available as to what step the Government would take.

SADDER, BUT WISER

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A gullible visitor to Bombay from Dhulia, who picked up an acquaintance on the rail journey, and entrusted his coat containing Rs. 2,000 to the chance acquaintance at the public convenience at V. T. last night, later came to the police station with a sad story.

It was Berulal Phulamchand's visit to Bombay. On the train journey from Dhulia to the City, he picked up the acquaintance of a man who gave his name as Dalal. Both men detrained at V.T.

Berulal wanted to visit the bathroom near the 1st Class waiting room. He handed over his coat to Dalal for safe custody for the brief period of his absence. When he returned Dalal was gone. And the coat too.

Berulal told the police that his coat contained a purse with Rs. 2,000.

DARING BID TO STEAL FOILED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A daring attempt to rob money from the counter of the Imperial Bank of India, yesterday, was foiled and the thief chased and apprehended, when the man whom he had robbed, raised an alarm.

Laxmichand Gelabhai, working in a City business concern, was given four bundles of currency notes, amounting to Rs. 1,000 to be deposited in the Imperial Bank of India by his employers.

While the man was counting the money, bundle after bundle, at the paying-in counter, Ramachandra Hari, the arrested man, is learnt to have walked towards his victim, cooly picked up a couple of bundles and walked off.

Laxmichand noticed that he was two bundles short, and saw the accused walking away. He raised an alarm, and ran in pursuit, in which he was joined by others. Two police constables also joined the chase and Ramachandra Hari, was over-taken and apprehended.

RAJKOT October 11, (PTI) The Government of Saurashtra has denied reports of redistribution of portfolios in the State Cabinet.

ALLOWANCE TO DISPLACED WIDOWS AND MINORS

Government Announces Scheme For One Year

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

THE Government of India has decided to grant maintenance allowance to widows, unattached women, minors and other persons who by reason of old age (over 50 years) infirmity, illness or other causes are unable to make a living for themselves. Such persons should have possessed immoveable urban properties in Pakistan from which they were deriving income.

A maintenance allowance under this scheme will be granted only to those who have not secured any rehabilitation benefits and have no means of livelihood in India. The scheme will remain in force for one year.

Families falling under the following categories will not be entitled to any benefits under this Scheme.

(a) Those who are entitled to the allotment of land in the East Punjab and Patiala and East Punjab States Union or who are being allotted land under the temporary allotment scheme in Matsya, Delhi, Bikaner and other parts of India,

(b) Those who have been allotted shops or have been granted loans either by the Rehabilitation Finance Administration or under the Provincial schemes,

(c) If any family admitted to the Scheme is, later on, granted other rehabilitation benefits, that family will cease to be entitled to the benefits of this Scheme. (The allotment of a house on payment of rent will not be regarded as a benefit debarring a family from the grant of a maintenance allowance under this Scheme.).

MAXIMUM

Families who have secured rehabilitation benefits from which they are deriving an income which is less than what they would be entitled to under this scheme, may be granted an allowance equal to the difference allowance admissible under the Scheme and the income accruing from the rehabilitation facilities granted.

The maximum allowance which may be granted under this scheme is Rs. 250 per month. When the family consists of single individual, the maximum allowance will be Rs. 100 per month. The amount of allowance is fixed in relation to the income in Pakistan as follows:

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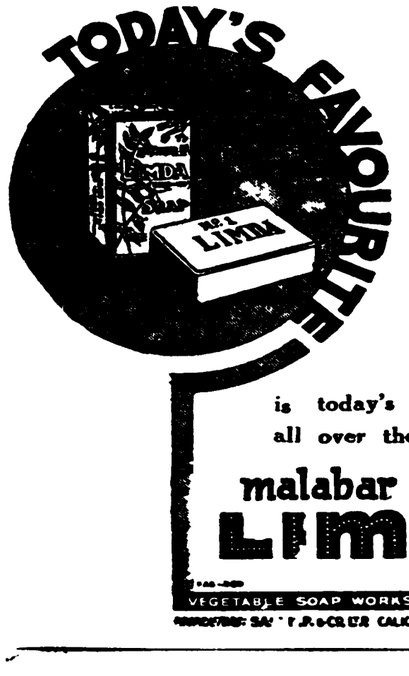
Any family sanctioned a maintenance allowance under this scheme will have to surrender ration cards if they are drawing free rations in camps or homes where they are living

Families residing in the Province of Bombay may apply in the prescribed form as follows:

(i) Camp Commandants in the case of displaced persons residing in camps; (ii) Director of Rehabilitation in respect of people living outside the camps in Bombay and Bombay Suburban District; and (iii) Collectors in the case of displaced persons living outside camps in the districts.

All envelopes containing the applications should be clearly marked "DISPLACED PERSONS' ALLOWANCE" Applications received after October 31, 1949 will not be accepted. Printed or cyclostyled forms of applications can be had from the officers mentioned above but typed applications forms will also be accepted



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PROPRIETARY RIGHTS TO END IN C. P.

Bill Moved In Assembly

NO INTERMEDIARIES BETWEEN STATE AND PEASANTS

NAGPUR, Oct. 11 (PTI).

MR. P. K. DESHMUKH, Revenue Minister, introduced in the C. P. and Berar Legislative Assembly today the C. P. and Berar Abolition of Proprietary Rights (estates, mahals, alienated lands) Bill, 1949 and moved that it be referred to a fifteen-member Select Committee.

Mr. Deshmukh said that the Provincial Assembly had resolved on September 1946 that intermediaries between the State and the peasants should be eliminated and the Bill had been framed to implement this resolution.

The Bill, he said, was a fitting reply to those who had indulged in groundless criticism of the Congress and had expressed their doubts about the earnestness of the Congress Ministry in carrying out this much-needed reform.

The Revenue Minister said that the Bill was designed to eliminate zamindars, malguzars and their undertenures in the Central Provinces, such as jagirdars, izardars, and palampatdars in Berar.

An important feature of the Bill, said the Minister, was that the outstanding debts and liabilities of the outgoing proprietor would be determined and scaled down on the lines of C.P. and Berar Relief of Indebtedness Act, 1939.

The debts, after determination, would be liquidated by adjusting the prescribed amount of compensation, and the remainder would be made payable by fixing instalments according to the capacity of the borrower.

COMPENSATION

Mr. Deshmukh said that the amount of compensation payable to intermediaries was proposed to be recouped by the recovery of premium on a voluntary basis in the Central Provinces from absolute occupancy tenants at four times the annual rent and from occupancy tenants at five times the annual rent.

After the elimination of intermediaries, the Revenue Minister said, the new set-up of revenue administration would be based on the Rayatwari system. A patel would be appointed for village management and the collection of land revenue.

The House loudly cheered the Revenue Minister as he finished his speech on the Bill.

Two Congress Party members, Shri B. D. Patel and Pandit Dhirendranath Sharma, welcoming the Bill said that no compensation should be paid to the intermediaries between the State and the tiller. Mr. Sharma, who has been nominated to the house from Surguja State, advocated the immediate application of the Bill in the integrated States area.

Night Air Mail Services

REVISED TIMINGS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11.

The night air mail service which had been suspended for the duration of the monsoon will be re-introduced from October 15, 1949. The service will operate on the two routes (1) Bombay-Nagpur-Calcutta and (2) Delhi-Nagpur-Madras to the following timings:—

23.00	D	Delhi	A	06.55
02.30	A	Nagpur	D	03.25
03.20	D	Nagpur	A	02.45
07.05	A	Madras	D	23.00
23.25	D	Bombay	A	06.20
02.15	D	Nagpur	D	03.30
03.45	D	Nagpur	A	03.00
07.15	A	Calcutta	D	23.05

Mails posted in connection with this service will be delivered at any of the five stations directly touched by the night air mail service on the following day. In the case of mails for delivery from other stations also, there will be considerable saving in time.

The hours of clearance of letter boxes, deliveries of mails etc., have been revised in connection with this new service and the public are requested to ascertain full particulars from the nearest post office.

LOANS TO REFUGEE STUDENTS

Extension In Time For Repayment

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11, (PTI): The Government of India have decided to extend, by two years the period for repayment of educational loans granted to displaced students and trainees from Pakistan. The loans, which were originally repayable within four years, will now be repayable in six years.

Instructions to this effect have been issued by the Ministry of Rehabilitation, Government of India, to all Provincial and State Governments.

Loans were granted under a scheme of financial assistance to displaced students and trainees so that those wishing to pursue their studies or training were not prevented from doing so for lack of funds.

Gowalas Clash With Rajputs

MUZAFFARPUR, Oct. 11 (PTI)—One person was killed and two seriously injured in a clash between Gowalas and Rajputs in a village near Chowpar lying within the Sadar Police station area, according to a report received here. Details of the clash are lacking, but it is reported that the trouble started over the grazing of cattle in the field.

AHMEDABAD, October 10. (P.T.I.): A new salt works, covering an area of about 7,000 acres, have been opened in the rann of Cutch. It will yield about 3,50,000 maunds of salt every year.

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Train Mined: 6 Killed

BATAVIA, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter)—Six Chinese and two Indonesians were killed when a passenger train was derailed by explosion of three mines near Madjan Eastern Java, according to a Dutch official report.

The explosion also severely injured three Indonesians.

Republican forces are conducting operations against "unauthorised" guerillas in the district where the train was wrecked.

Issue Of Kaliyuga Confiscated

HUBLI, Oct. (PTI):— Under instructions from the Government of Bombay the police have confiscated under section 292(1,P.C.) the special January issue of the monthly journal "Kaliyuga" printed in Dharwar, as it is alleged to contain obscene literature. Notices have been served on the editor, manager, printer and publisher in this regard.

Expert To Advise Government

Mr. J. R. N. Stone, Director of the Department of Applied Economics at Cambridge, is one of the expert advisers who will assist the Government of India to prepare a report on national income. He will be arriving in India towards the end of the year. 30-year-old, he is the son of the first Chief Judge of the Central Provinces. He has served on numerous committees, became Hon. Sec. of the Royal Statistical Society in 1948 and Newmarch Lecturer at University College, London, in the same year. He is the author of numerous articles in the learned journals on the subject of "national incomes" on which he is an acknowledged authority.

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT ON THE RAILWAYS

Chief Commissioner's Review

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

MR. K. C. BAKHLE, Chief Commissioner for Indian Railways, said here today that the transport bottle-neck in the country was resolved and that the present position was fairly satisfactory.

Mr. Bakhle was addressing the members of the Bombay Rotary Club on "Indian Railways" at Green's Hotel. Rotarian C. S. Patel presided.

Mr. Bakhle affirmed that actually the Indian railways today were carrying more tonnage over a greater number of miles than they did during the peak years.

According to Mr. Bakhle the period between 1941 and 1946 was one of unprecedented prosperity for the railways, and this considerably improved their financial position. However, this prosperity did not assist the process of rehabilitation owing to the economic depression that followed. After the war, refugee problem, police action in Hyderabad, war in Kashmir and various factors had conspired to put a heavy strain on railways. But the period of difficulty was now over. Mr. Bakhle declared, "Despite the heavy strain we have not only turned a corner, but we are already on the way to improvement."

Referring to the passenger traffic Mr Bakhle said that they had not so far progressed satisfactorily. They had however received various suggestions which were now under consideration.

SEPARATE BUDGET

Mr. Bakhle further referred to the appointment of various committees which had gone into the problem of railway transport and made various recommendations. One of the main recommendations was that the railway budget should be separated from the general budget, and that railways should contribute a certain amount every year towards the general revenue.

As regards the future programme Mr. Bakhle said that they had already received 300 locomotives out of 467, and the rest were on the way. Besides this there was the question of regrouping of the State railways. He feared the present financial crisis might affect the future progress.

At the outset the President Mr. Patel paid tributes to the late Sir Ardeshir Dalal, to whom he referred to as a true and eminent son of the land. Two minutes' silence was observed, all standing.

CORRUPTION CHARGE AGAINST DIRECTOR OF FOOD MOVEMENTS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 10. (PTI): Mr. N. D. Rikhy, Chief Director of Movements of the Food Ministry, along with 9 grain merchants of Delhi, Bhatinda, and Madras, stood charged today in the Court of the Additional District Magistrate for alleged corruption, conspiracy and misconduct.

Dr. T. J. Kedar, a Nagpur Barrister, who has been specially engaged by the special establishment of the Government of India appeared for the prosecution. The accused were defended by some local lawyers.

Dr. Kedar relating the case for the prosecution said that at the end of 1947 or early in 1948 when there was acute food shortage in Madras, Mr. Rikhy had entered into a pact with two merchants, one from Delhi and the other from Bhatinda, to export gram to Madras and thereby make profits for themselves. Mr. Rikhy had helped to secure "priority" for the railway wagons to carry the gram, he added.

MISUSED HIS POWERS

The prosecution alleged that Mr Rikhy ordered the Divisional Superintendent of the Eastern Punjab Railway to release 75 wagons to a Bhatinda firm, and thereby acted beyond his powers and became liable to the charge of misconduct. He had further sponsored the movement of wagons to Madras on false recommendation which he fully knew was fraudulently secured, it was further alleged.

The other accused, the prosecution counsel added, had furthered the conspiracy for pecuniary advantages.

The case was adjourned to October 24.

DEMILITARISATION IN PALESTINE

Agreement In Haifa

HAIFA, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter): A mixed Syrian-Israeli Armistice Commission yesterday reached agreement on some demilitarisation measures an agreement described in competent circles as the first major success in applying the Armistice Agreement.

The meeting agreed to the demolition of seven positions and the removal of a settlement from the demilitarised zone.

It is also agreed that the Syrians would evacuate troops from the Mishwar Hayarden area and demilitarise it until October 25.

STEPS FOR ENSURING A FAIR REFERENDUM

Suggestions Of French Indian Leaders

PONDICHERY, Oct. 11, (PTI): Mr. A. Lahache, President of the National Liberation Front, and Mr. Leon St. Jean, Secretary-General of the Congress Assembly group in the French India Representative Assembly, in a joint statement today said the procedure for the referendum on December 11 this year in the South Indian French Settlements should be drawn up by a joint Central Commision should be drawn up by a joint Central Commission of Representatives of France and the Indian Union.

The French Indian leaders stressed the importance of revising the Electoral Roll in each Commune (Municipal area), and suggested at least two neutral observers acceptable to the two Governments concerned and appointed by an international organisation.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS

Other suggestions include: Ballot papers to be of different colours, one bearing the words "Indian Union" and the other "French Union" safety of the polling stations to be ensured by four armed policemen, two of each nationality; counting of votes to take place at each polling station by polling officers who will announce the result the same day.

The French India leaders said that from the day of the opening of the election campaign to the 30th day of the month following the day of voting, maintenance of law and order and of security should be ensured by a mixed police force consisting of French and Indian units equal in rank and number.

Saurashtra Cabinet: No Changes

RAJKOT, Oct. 11 (PTI): A Government press note issued late last night says: "There is no truth in the report current in a section of the press that redistribution of portfolios in the Saurashtra Ministry is imminent."

The reports have been originating from continued illhealth of Mr. Jagubhai Parikh, Finance Minister, who has not been able to attend to his work for about six months now.

There have been rumours of impending changes in the Ministry which are also stated to be false.

Czech Vicars Detained

PRAGUE, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter): The Czech Roman Catholic Secret Information Service said yesterday that 40 more Vicars and Deans had been arrested, adding that all the Vicars of the dioceses of the "Republic" had been detained in the last few days."

Some of the Vicars have since been released, it was stated later.

Sugar For Love

BARODA, Oct. 11, (PTI):

"SUGAR is sometimes available for love and money but not for money alone" said a lucky housewife, meeting the P.T.I. reporter on his sugar rounds here this morning.

It appears that the weary shop-trotter was returning home disappointed when one of the shopkeepers to whom she had earlier applied in vain, pitied her plight on a second importunity and gave her enough to meet her Diwali needs at twelve annas a pound.

EUROPE FACES COAL DEFICIT

GENEVA, (PTI-Reuter): —Europe's coal deficit for the last quarter of this year is estimated at 3,400,000 tons, according to figures released here by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (E.C.E.).

But it could be substantially reduced if present negotiations for over 1,000,000 tons of Belgian coal are successful, a Commission spokesman stated.

He added that, as in previous quarters, currency difficulties are preventing the allocation of the Belgian coal although there is hope that negotiations now going on between Belgium, France, French North Africa and Portugal will absorb the major part of it.

At the same time, Europe has surplus of nearly 500,000 tons of un-allocated coke and patent fuels for the last quarter of this year. This is understood to be due to a general recession of the European steel industry and is most noticeable in France and Luxembourg, Europe's two main coke importers.

Under an agreement between the United Kingdom and the Bisonal authorities of Germany, Britain will send an additional 90,000 tons of low grade gas coals for consumption in the North German port areas of Breman and Hamburg.

This will enable the Bisonal authorities to release 50,000 tons of much needed high grade Ruhr coal for export.

The statement of the Economic Commission for Europe reveals that a total of 13,125,000 tons of European coal has been recommended for allocation to the 17 European countries and Trieste for the fourth quarter of this year. This is decrease of about 400,000 tons over the estimated allocations for the third quarter.

IMPERIAL BANKS APPEAL

Confiscation Of Notes

Mr. Justice Weston and Mr. Justice Shah, at the Bombay High Court, admitted a criminal revision petition, presented by the Imperial Bank of India, against the setting aside of the conviction and sentence passed on Allamiya, an ex-peon of the Bank by the Extra Assistant Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad.

Allamiya had appealed to the Sessions Judge against his conviction and sentence passed by the First Class Magistrate of Ahmedabad, on a charge of receiving stolen property.

According to the petitioners, the Ahmedabad Branch of their Bank had a chest containing currency notes and this was kept in a strong room, the notes being checked periodically.

Allamiya was a peon in the cash department and he and two others, also peons, had access to the chest.

On February 10, 1948, the contents of the chest were checked when it was found that one bundle of ten-rupee notes and one bundle of five-rupee notes were found missing. The bundle of ten-rupee notes contained ten books of 100 notes and a peon assisting at the checking found eight books of notes under one of the racks in the office. The rest of the currency could not be traced. Subsequently, however, Rs. 3496 were found buried under the earth at a Durga and taken charge of.

Allamiya and another peon, Jalaluddin Pakrudin were arrested on suspicion, and the Ahmedabad First Class Magistrate, tried them. Allamiya was found guilty of receiving or keeping possession of stolen property and sentenced to 6 months jail and a fine of Rs. 500. The notes were handed over to the Bank.

The second accused was discharged. When the Additional Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad, heard the case in appeal, he decided that Allamiya was not guilty of possessing stolen property but found him guilty of possessing property which could not be satisfactorily accounted for. He was sentenced under the District Police Act to three months jail and a fine of Rs. 100. He, however, ordered the notes to be confiscated to Government, maintaining that their ownership was not proven.

The present appeal by the Bank was to the effect that the confiscation order was wrong and praying for the restoration of the notes.

Mr. G. N. Joshi appeared for the Bank.

Kashmir Timber For India

SRINAGAR, Oct. 11 (PTI): The Jammu and Kashmir Government exported to India 36,871 cubic feet of timber valued at over Rs. 2,00,000 during September, according to official figures here

Total export of timber to India during the last five months was estimated at nine lakh cubic feet valued at over Rs. 30,00,000.

Technical Committees

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11 (PTI): The Technical Committees of the International Standards Organisation for Shellac and Mica will meet in Delhi between January 16 and 19, 1950. This will be the first time that I.S.O. Committees met in India.

Token Strike To Support "Sind Observer" Workers

KARACHI, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).

WESTERN PAKISTAN will go without its usual daily newspapers tomorrow as a result of the newspaper offices shutting down today on a one-day token strike by journalists throughout the country in sympathy with the striking workers of Karachi's Muslim-owned English daily "Sind Observer".

Newspaper Hawkers' Union in sympathy with the journalists have decided not to sell any foreign newspapers tomorrow.

On Tuesday last, members of the editorial staff of the "Sind Observer" resorted to a stay-in strike protesting against the action of the General Manager, Mr. M. P. Tahilramani, against one of their colleagues.

On October 6, five striking workers were arrested by the police for alleged "criminal trespass" whereupon others walked out in protest.

The executive of the Sind Union of Journalists at a meeting held on that night demanded among other things the dismissal of Mr. Tahilramani.

A general body meeting of the Sind Union of Journalist on the next day endorsed the demands of the Executive Committee and voted for a 24-hour token strike of all Karachi press workers.

It also appealed to sister unions in all parts of the country for support.

Picketing of the offices of the "Sind Observer" was also resorted to as a result of which twelve working Journalists were arrested by the police and released unconditionally after about two hours.

On Saturday last, Pakistan's Deputy Minister for Information intervened and sought to bring about a solution by urging both parties to accept arbitration. This, however, fell through as the management could not agree to the Union's prior demands for immediate reinstatement of the staff and assurance of no victimisation.

Mr. Saxena Cancels Nagpur Programme

NAGPUR, Oct. 11 (PTI): Mr Mohanlal Saxena, Minister for Rehabilitation, Government of India, who was to arrive here today from Delhi on a two-day visit, has cancelled his programme owing to pressure of work in Delhi.

Mr. Rameshwar Agnibhoj, Central Provinces Minister for Rehabilitation, left for Chindwara this afternoon in the absence of Mr. Saxena and declared open the new colony for 500 displaced families and a hostel for displaced students.

RE-ENLISTED IN HOPE OF DIVORCE

Matrimonial troubles arising from the German occupation of the Channel Islands were pleaded by an R.A.S.C. driver sentenced at a Farnborough, Hants, court-martial, for desertion.

Because of the circumstances, said the President, a light sentence of 84 days' detention, subject to confirmation, was passed on Driver Stanley George Piquet, of Barton Stacey Camp near Andover, Hants, for being absent without leave from December 2, 1947, until he surrendered on August 7 last.

Piquet said he was in the Army when he married a girl from Jersey in 1940, and during the German occupation did not hear from her. In 1945, after the Germans left, she wrote to him in Italy saying she was expecting a child by a German.

He had compassionate leave to see her, went on Piquet, who said that he failed to effect a reconciliation, and as there were no divorce laws in the Channel Islands could not divorce her.

Returning to Italy, Piquet went on, he was posted to Germany, via Belgium and Holland. He met a girl in Holland, and they fell in love. Then she had a baby by him.

SPENT LEAVES IN AMSTERDAM

He was demobilised in 1946, and re-enlisted for three years, hoping to obtain a divorce that way, but failed He spent all his leaves in Amsterdam with the Dutch girl.

In December, 1947, he brought his 18-month-old son back to stay with his parents in Jersey, but the child was unhappy without his mother He took the child back to Amsterdam on December 2, 1947.

The mother was then expecting another baby, so he decided to stay with her He worked for a Dutch firm for 18 months, and then received a letter stating that his wife had died in Jersey Piquet said that he at once married the Dutch girl, saw the British Consul at Amsterdam, and gave himself up at the Hook of Holland.

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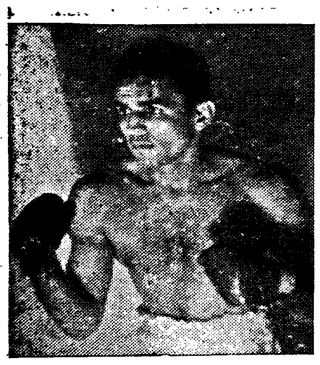

GENE RAYMOND.

U. K. Figures For First Time In Local Boxing

GENE RAYMOND OF INDIA MEETS RON LATHAM OF BRITAIN

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Three international bouts will lend colour to a fine programme of sixteen fights arranged at the Brabourne Stadium by the Rangers Club tomorrow Wednesday at 9. A.M. Extending its activities in the pugilistic field, no efforts were spared to get Ron Latham, the A.B.A. lightweight champion from Great Britain. Gene Raymond of Bombay and Indian representative who meets Latham is already known for his gallant fight against Eddie Grey of Ceylon, whom he beat on a points decision in August.

Besides this international contest two contenders from the "little island", Ceylon have challenged the Bombay boxers and Peter Prince of Bombay will meet Ivor Bevan of Ceylon and Vincent Pereira will meet Alec Obeyesekere also of Ceylon, to complete the treble for the day.

To be seen in action also will be A. B. Turner of the Royal Navy and H.M.S. Flamingo. Turner has done quite a bit of fighting and recently beat the British Western Command Army, Champion at Wales. Turner has been matched against leading seaman Sharma of the R.I.N.

The "Flamingo" provides another fighter and "shortly" Costello of the Royal Navy who is a fast and hard hitting flyweight meets Kothare of Rangers Club.

The fight between N. Ballard of Rangers and Cadet D. Marsden of Dufferin which will be pretty evenly fought will give boxing fans their moneys worth for both are game fighters and are youngsters.

Coming to the boxers individually, Ron Latham, (Great Britain), well-built and square is quick and packs a hard wallop. It may be mentioned here that in a fight in Sweden recently though he lost to his opponent in points, the other man was sorry the day he fought Latham as he had two of his ribs knocked out and was removed to hospital. Latham, now only twenty years of age, is the British Miners champion and in his last fight he beat the British Railwaymen's champion, G. Temp. Latham weighs 134 pounds against Raymond who weighs 136 pounds. Latham disclosed to me this evening that this is his first fight of the season and that he was looking forward to making a good beginning.

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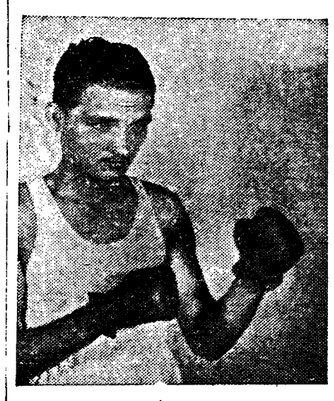


IVOR BEVAN.

Gene Raymond (India and Rangers), needs no introduction having represented India, in the Olympic Games of 1948 he has kept himself fighting fit. Though he won luckily against Grey of Ceylon in August he seems to be improving and hopes to put up a good fight.

A. B. Turner of the Royal Navy won the Air Training Corps championships of Wales and South West England and the Isle of Man inter-services championships in 1944, the British Pacific fleet championship two years later and fought for the British Navy against the American fleet in Shanghai the same year when he stopped Joe Bollero, a Golden Glove's finalist. Turner has also won the Malayan feathers championship in 1947.

Seaman Costello of the Royal Navy also is a fast and hard hitting flyweight who won the Royal Naval Divisional championships and also the Home Fleet championships. Costello weighs 106 lbs and meets Kothare of Rangers weighing 111 lbs.

Peter Prince of India and Rangers awkward left hander has had a run of goodluck this season winning in a sequence. In his last fight he won on a T.K.O. as Ron Wilmer was bleeding badly from a gash on the eye Prince meets Bevan of Ceylon and this may prove his Waterloo.

Alec Obeyesekere and Vincent Pereira will fight for the Dr. Bischoff Belt.

Ron Latham and Gene Raymond for the Sanghani-Momot Belt.

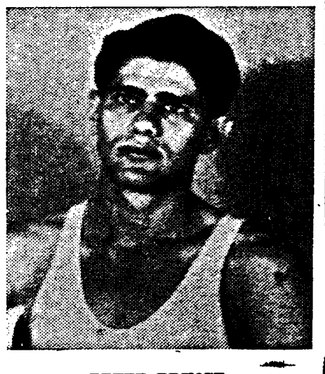
Ivor Bevan and Prince will fight for the Sam Abraham Belt.

A prize for the best boxer of the evening has been represented by Mr. Norman F. Caun, while a trophy for the best loser has been presented by Mr. J. Gourdon.

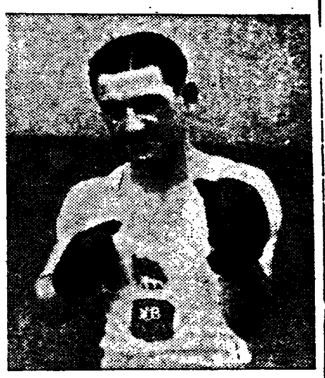
The following is the programme for Wednesday, October 12:

1. C. Pereira (118) M.M.V. vs. B. D'Sa (113) Petit.
2. Stoker Woods (130) R.I.N. vs. B. Lobo (132) Nagpada.
3. H|Const. Kelkar (109) Rangers vs. I. Barnett (116) Rangers.
4. D. Shroff (143) Zoroastrians vs. M. Blanchette (141) M.M.V.
5. E. Kothare (111) Rangers vs. Seaman Costello (106) Royal Navy.
6. P. Khatau (107) Petits vs. E. Reuben (112) M.M.V.
7. Stoker Kapper (114) R.I.N. vs. D. Woods (112) Rangers.
8. Gene Raymond (136) India and Rangers vs. Ron Latham (134) Great Britain.
9. G. Vandergucht (118) Rangers vs. H. Lockwood (122) Rangers.
10. Peter Prince (142) India and Rangers vs. Ivor Bevan (136) Ceylon.
11. Leading E| M. Sharma (131) R.I.N. vs. A. B. Turner (127) Royal Navy
12. J. Salins (112) Petits vs. A. Thomas (112) B.E.S.T.
13. M. Aaron (124) Maccabi vs. F. Roquizinho (124) B.G.A.A.
14. M. Carvalho (144) B.G.A.A. vs. H. Ferrier (147) B.E.S.T.
15. N. Ballard (131) Rangers vs. Cadet D. Marsden (129) Dufferin.
16. Vincent Pereira (144) India vs. A. Obeyesekere (145) Ceylon.

The Gene Raymond-Ron Latham fight will be filmed and recorded and will be flown immediately to England.



PETER PRINCE.



RON LATHAM.

CRICKET MATCH ABANDONED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Owing to incessant drizzle this morning and afternoon the ground conditions at the Brabourne Stadium were not conducive to a resumption of the match between the Universities XI and the Commonwealth team. The outfield was waterlogged and the pitch quite soaked. It was thought that play would be possible after lunch but with the sun refusing to show up even for a moment, the match was abandoned.

Y.M.C.A. STUDENTS BRANCH T.T.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Students Branch of the Y.M.C.A. Open Table Tennis Tournament commenced this evening and the first and second rounds of the first and second quarter were decided. A few walk-overs were conceded and very little of note occurred.

The following were the results:

JUNIORS' SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

K. K. Karanjia beat R. W. Dhurander 20-22, 21-13, 21-19. P. M. Muzumdar beat A. R. Amin 21-19, 18-21, 21-16. A. K. Mudnaney beat V. L. Agaskar 21-11, 21-16, M. D. Parkar beat P. P. Kharas 21-19, 8-21, 21-19. C. A. Merchant beat V. D. Parkar 21-9, 21-16. J. M. Joshi beat A. G. Phadke 21-17, 21-19. S. Gair w.o. Jahagirdar, H. G. Desai w.o, Y. N. Limaye.

MEN'S SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

FIRST QUARTER: D. P. Sampat beat V| D. Nadkarni 21-13, 21-14, M. W. Dhamankar beat H. P. Multani 21-12, 21-13, J. S. Sequeirra beat P. N. Muzumdar 21-18, 21-17, G. N. Zarapkar beat V. D. Dalal 21-16, 21-16, V. V. Madgaokar beat N. Radhakrishna 21-17, 8-21, 21-15, R. A. Seth beat R. G. Marathe 18-21, 22-20, 21-10, J. C. Mehta beat R. C. Vakharia 21-15, 21-17, P. C. Mudnaney beat D. Abraham 21-13, 10-21, 23-21, B. J. Poncha beat P. G. Wagle 21-12, 21-9, C. R. Kelekar beat K. S. Khot 21-14, 15-21, 21-15, S. V. Gaokar beat S. C. Muzumdar 21-11, 21-14, J. Kajra w.o. V. R. Prabhu.

SECOND ROUND: (1st Quarter): B. J. Poncha beat J. C. Mehta 21-11, 21-11, G. N. Zarapkar beat J. G. Kajaria 21-17, 14-21, 21-17, B. A. Laljee beat C. R. Kelekar 21-10, 21-16, V. V. Madgaokar beat R. A. Seth 21-12, 21-14, S. V. Gaokar beat M. W. Dhamankar 21-12, 21-10; Y. M. Mahajan beat P. C. Mudnaney 21-19, 21-15.

FIRST ROUND (Second Quarter: P. Vithal beat P. K. Joshi 17-21, 21-11, 21-16, S. C. Wagh beat K. R. Raghina 21-15, 22-20, M. Shrinivas beat R. S. Shete 21-11, 21-9, A. H. Desai beat J. H. Galvankar 17-21, 21-12, 22-20, S. N. Kumta beat R. S. Thakkar 21-16, 21-14, D. P. Somayya beat S. J. Bulsara 21-10, 21-14; P. K. Chaubal beat J. C. Patel 21-19, 21-16; N. G. Dhavale beat M. K. Karia 21-14, 14-21, 21-17; C. V. Wagh beat P. G. Scindia 21-10, 19-21, 21-11.

SECOND ROUND (Second Quarter): P. K. Chaubal beat C. V. Wagh 21-7, 21-16, P. S. Sandhawallia beat S. C. Mudnaney 21-19, 17-21, 21-12, A. H. Desai beat A. K. Mudnaney 21-12, 21-16, D. Somaya beat S. N. Kumta 21-6, 21-10, M. Shrinivas beat P. P. Kharas 21-17, 21-14, P. K. Beri beat B. C. Wagle 21-17, 22-20, P. Vithal beat M. J. Nensey 21-13, 21-14, N. G. Dhavale beat S. G. Wagle 21-17, 21-17.

SOUTHERN COMMAND WRESTLING TOURNEY

Bombay Sub-area Win Championship

POONA, Oct. 11, (PTI): A wrestling team from Bombay Sub-Area today annexed the championship in the Southern Command Wrestling Tournament, defeating the Jubbulpore Sub-Area by nine points to seven. Each team consisted of five members.

Lt.-Gen. Rajendrasihhji, GOC-in-Chief, Southern Command, gave away the prizes.

NARESH KUMAR IMPRESSES

British Covered Courts Championships

LONDON, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).

Naresh Kumar, the young Indian lawn tennis player, reahed the last eight of the men's singles in the British Covered Courts Championships at Queens Club, London, today when he beat Eric Filby (Norfolk) 6-2, 6-4 in the second round.

Filby, a prominent player before the war, could make little impression on the agile Indian in the first set and Kumar's penetrating volleys and good long game won it for him in quick time.

Kumar met stiffer resistance in the second set when Filby produced some delightful passing shots but he captured the British players' service in the eight game to lead 5-3 and the match was as good as over.

Kumar's next opponent is the American, Phillip Hanna, an actor, who is appearing in London in an American musical play.

Inter School Sports At Jubbulpure

(From Our Own Correspondent).

JUBBULPORE, Oct. 9.

Four new records, three in the Girls' section and one in the Boys' division, were set up at the ninth annual Inter-school Athletic Meet between the Bishop's Cotton High Schools, Nagpur, and the Christ Church Schools, Jubbulpore. Both Jubbulpore institutions won the championships, but the Victor Ludorum for the boys was produced by Nagpur, who possess a fine athlete in E. Peters, a boy who shines in track and field events. New records for the girls were created in the 100 Yards, High and Long Jumps, while for the boys E. Peters cleared 5 ft. 2 1|2 ins. in the High Jump to beat the existing record by half an inch. A high standard and keen competition featured the athletic meeting this year, which resulted as follows:

BOYS' EVENTS

100 YARDS: D. Fraser (C.C.S.) 1; E. Peters (B.C.S.) 2; A. Theobold (G.C.S.) 3. 11 secs.

HIGH JUMP: E. Peters B.C.S.) 1; S. Subaiya (C.C.S.O.) 2; C. Brown (C.C.S.) 3. 5 ft. 2½ ins.

220 YARDS: D. Fraser (C.C.S.) 1; E. Peters (B.C.S.) 2; A. Theobold (C.C.S.) 3. 25 secs.

HOP, STEP & JUMP: S. Silliman (B.C.S.) 1; A. Theobold (C.C.S.) 2; E. Peters (B.C.S.) 3. 35 ft. 11 3|4 ins.

440 YARDS: W. Parkinson (C.C.S.) 1; D. Fraser (C.C.S.) 2; F. Benjamin (B.C.S.) 3. 59.4 secs.

LONG JUMP: E. Peters (B.C.S.) 1; A. Theobold (C.C.S.) 2; E. Silliman (B.C.S.) 3. 17 ft. 4½ inches.

ONE MILE: J. Barry (C.C.S.) 1; B. Jordan (C.C.S.) 2; S. Mukherjee (B.C.S.) 3. 5 mins. 29 secs.

SHOT PUTT: W. Parkinson (C. C.S.) 1; C. Brown (C.C.S.) 2; L. Nuttal (B.C.S.) 3. 34 ft. 3 ins.

1 MILE (MEDLEY) RELAY: C.C.S. 1; B.C.S. 2.

TOTAL POINTS: C.C.S. 104, B.C.S 64

GIRLS' EVENTS

100 YARDS: S. Mills (C.C.S.) 1; K. Fraser (C.C.S.) 2; E. Hall (B.C.S.) 3. (Record) 12.8 secs.

HIGH JUMP: E. Hall (B.C.S.) 1; K. Fraser (C.C.S.) 2; S. Devine (B.C.S.) 3. 4 ft. 4½ inst. (Record).

220 YARDS: K. Fraser (C.C.S.) 1; E. Hall (B.C.S.) 2; S. Devine (B.C.S.) 3. 30.7 secs.

SKIPPING RACE (80 YDS): S. Mills (C.C.S.) 1; R. Hall (B.C.S.) 2, S. Devine (B.C.S.) 3.

LONG JUMP: S. Mills (C.C.S.) 1; E. Hall (B.C.S.) 2; K. Fraser (C.C.S.) 3. 14ft. 10½ ins. (Record).

RELAY RACE (110 Yds.): C.C.S. 1; B.C.S. 2. 1 min. 3 secs.

TOTAL POINTS: C.C.S. 68; B.C.S 47.

The day previous to this the visitors gave the home team a rude shock in a football match which started the meet. Nagpur led by two goals to nil a few minutes before the interval when Christ Church reduced the lead and late in the second moiety came on terms. D. Beeby, Bishop's Cotton's School goalkeeper, was the hero of a thrilling game which, but for him, might have resulted in a third consecutive annual victory for Jubbulpore.

PALESTINE BEATEN AT LAST

Aga Khan's Colt Loses After Six Successive Wins

NEWMARKET, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).

Palestine, the Aga Khan's flying two-year-old grey colt, after six successive victories was beaten for the first time in his career today.

Ridden by champion jockey Gordon Richards and starting two to seven favourite, Palestine lost by a head to Masked Light, owned by Mr. E. Wanless, in the Middle Park Stakes over six furlongs.

Walter Hutchinson's, Homing Pigeon, a 33 to one chance, was a further head behind, third of five runners.

Masked Light, by Signal Light out of Mashaq, was ridden by Douglas Smith and started at seven to two.

Mr. R. Foster's Combined Operations former champion sprinter of India, won the Challenge Stakes over six furlongs here today.

Ridden by the royal jockey Harry Carr and starting at five to one against, Combined Operations beat Mr. S. Wootton's Donegal II, a four to one chance, by three lengths.

Lady Bullough's Luminary, 10 to 11 favourite, was a further three lengths behind, third of our runners.

British Rivals For World Football Honours

SPORTS JOTTINGS

By R. C. H. Carter

Scotland's chances of going to Rio to compete in the World Cup football contest look very bright indeed after its eight goals to two win over Ireland at Belfast. Scotland has, however, announced that it will not be represented in that Cup contest unless it wins the British International series outright; as a mere runner-up, though qualified under the Cup contest rules, it will not participate.

So may be England will have two chances of competing in that Cup, one as a possible winner of the International series and the second as runner-up. In any case, the England selectors have a serious problem to face if they are to avoid future debacles like the last Goodison Park one against Eire.

Scotland found a fine centre-forward in Henry Morris of East Fife who scored three of Scotland's eight goals and was the heart and soul of the Scottish attack.

England's weakness in this position was disclosed at Goodison Park and it was not surprising that the English selectors were watching Tommy Lawton help Notts County to beat Leyton Orient by seven goals to one. He scored two of the goals himself and made possible at least two of the others and generally gave a very good account of himself. So it looks as if he will certainly be in the team to represent England against Wales at Cardiff on October 15.

UNBEATEN STILL

Wolverhampton and Liverpool are now the only unbeaten teams in the Football League, the Wolves having an exciting Cup-holders versus champions (Portsmouth) one goal all draw, and Liverpool winning 1-0 at West Bromwich.

Arsenal, who now share the fourth place in Division I with Blackpool and Manchester United, beat Derby by two goals to one. They have not been beaten since September 3 and have scored 16 goals in their last six games, so they have more than made good from a somewhat depressing start.

Manchester United suffered their first home defeat against Sunderland and it was Sunderland's first away victory and with the comfortable margin of three goals to one. The Spurs now lead Division II by four points, their latest success being a 5-0 victory over Bradford.

Mansfield had their first defeat at Tranmere and now share the lead of Division III (North) with Doncaster, one point ahead of Crewe.

A FOURTH DIVISION?

The Management Committee of the Football League are reported to be already considering the enlargement of League football by the formation of a Fourth Division. Apart from a natural desire to give encouragement to football clubs outside the present League circle that seem to have good claims to inclusion on the score of sheer merit, there are many considerations involved in any large extension of the League, such for example as the question of attendances and the suitability of ground accommodation.

Any scheme that may be drafted would have to come up for acceptance or rejection before the annual general meeting of the League at the end of the season. The First and Second Division Clubs hold the voting power and a two-thirds majority vote would be required for acceptance.

Obstruction in soccer is the cause of much misunderstanding by players and referees alike and it is, therefore, good news that the Football Association are preparing a memorandum on the subject in order to clarify the rules.

CHURCHILL Vs. AGA KHAN

The most valuable race this week will be the King George VI Stakes at Ascot on Saturday (October 8). Here Ridge Wood and Lone Eagle will renew their Leger struggle in a race of two miles.

An intriguing possibility of the near future is the challenge of Mr. Winston Churchill's Colonist II to the Aga Khan's Dust Devil in the Ormonde Stakes at Newbury on October 21. Dust Devil added over £6,000 to the Aga Khan's swelling winnings by carrying off the Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket but he did not impress by his latest running because he was receiving weight from the other three in the race and might have been expected to have won even more easily than he did—in fact, rather lazily.

14,500-GUINEAS COLT

The Newmarket yearling sales have fetched a record total of well over 300,000 guineas, with a very high average of individual sales. The highest price paid was 14,500 guineas by Prince Aly Khan for a son of Nearco out of Infra Red, part of the late Lord Portal's bloodstock. The colt will run in the colours of the Aga Khan and will be trained by Frank Buttera.

Prince Aly Khan also bought one of the cheapest lots, a filly, (Arctic Lights) costing 35 guineas.

HOCKEY SEASON OPENS

The hockey season has just started, the matches being played under the International Hockey Board's recommendation with the enlarged circle of 16 yards radius and under the new rules governing persistent obstruction or other breaches by the defence.

More women and girls are reported to be playing hockey in England than ever before.

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Six players have been chosen by the English Table Tennis Association to tour Czechoslovakia from October 31 to November 15. They include two women.

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McDonald Bailey, left out of the English team for the Empire Games because of his West Indies birth, is going to New Zealand by an invitation to take part in a big meeting there before the Games.

CESARWITCH STAKES ALTERATIONS

LONDON, Oct. 11. (PTI-Reuter): Alterations to the Cesarwitch Stakes being run at Newmarket tomorrow are as follows:

Now or Never will be ridden by W. H. Carr, Al Magnana (Cliff Richards), Villarceau (R. Bertuglia), Light of Morocco (P. Blanc), Lismore (T. Sidebotham), Acid Test (C. Rowley), Water Biscuit (E. Warren), Sans Atout II (E. Morgan), Mount Coote (J. Arvine), Garter Club (—). Monzicola and Asmodee II have scratched, thus making 42 probables (Garter Club, Hornet III and Lode are doubtful runners.

INDIA'S FAST BOWLER WEDS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Dattu Phadkar, Indian Test Cricketer and well-known as a fast bowler was married today to Miss Sudamini Gokhale.

Among the guests which included numerous cricketers were Vijay Merchant, India's Captain, Vinoo Mankad, K. M. Rangnekar, M. K. Mantri, V. S. Hazare and the Commonwealth touring team. The Mayor of Bombay, Shri S. K. Patil was also present.

Jack Solomons Introduces Another Boxer

LONDON, Oct. 10 (PTI-Reuter).

Jack Solomons, the London promoter, introduces yet another colourful American boxer to the public at Harringay, London, tomorrow Tuesday, when Pete Mead, of Truman, Arkansas, who arrived from New York by air with his manager Teddy Benthen, this week, fights Dave Sands, the British Empire Middleweight Champion, over ten rounds.

Mead, 25, is reputed to be a tough two-handed battler and has an impressive record. He claims to have won 38 of his 41 professional fights which include a number of top ranking Americans.

Mead visited England in 1944 as a private with the American army. His manager claims he is so tough that once at Madison Square Garden, New York, he got up from the floor six times and then knocked his man out.

Inter Services Boxing Tournament

BANGALORE, Oct. 11 (PTI): The Defence Department of the Government of India is conducting an Inter-Services Boxing Tournament for individual championships.

The championships include flyweight bantamweight, feather weight, light weight, welter weight and middle weight. This is the first competition of its kind in India after the war.

The three commands of the Indian army, the Royal Indian Air Force and the Royal Indian Navy will take part in the tournament. Except the finals which will be held in New Delhi during the end of November, all other stages in the tournament will be conducted in the respective commands.

For Southern Command of the Indian army, tournaments will be conducted upto quarter-final stage in each of the three areas, namely, Madras, Deccan and Bombay areas.

For Madras area, the bouts will be held in Bangalore on October 14, 15 and 16. The Bangalore sub-area has made arrangements for conducting this tournament in the famous Garrison Football Ground where during wartime a number of boxing tournaments were conducted by the services.

Portysix competitors are taking part in this area. Two in each fight will be selected to compete in the semi-finals at Poona which is expected to be held during the end of October.

No Cut In Price Paid To Producers

MADRAS MINISTER'S ASSURANCE

MADRAS Octo. 10 (PTI): Mr. J.L.P. Roche-Victoria, Minister for Food, Madras, said here today that it was not obligatory on the provincial Governments to reduce the overall price of foodgrains by 10 percent declared on by the Conference of Food Ministrs held in Delhi last week end.

He said provincial Governments have been asked to secure a reduction in the foodgrains prices at the stage of sale of the consumer.

GOVERNMENT PROMISE

The Minister who returned this afternoon from Delhi after attending the Food Conference said that the Madras Government had to redeem their promise to the producers, that the prices payable to them would not be lowered below the present level as the prices here were the lowest compared to other provinces.

He added that Madras would cut down incidental expenses like commission to procurements agents and transport and distribution charges. That would reduce the present prices of foodgrains at the stage of sale to consumers

INDIAN LINGIAD TEAM RETURNS

Public Reception Arranged By B. P. C. C.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Indian Lingiad team returned from its European tour by air this morning and were enthusiastically welcomed by a large crowd of sportsmen and youngsters. The performance given by the Indian team at the International Lingiad Festival earned for them a world wide reputation.

The team will be accorded a public reception at Dadar tomorrow, Wednesday, at 6 p.m. and earlier that afternoo at 3 they will meet press representatives at the Brahmin Sabha Hall, Girgaum.

The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have also arranged a public reception for the team at the People's Hall, Congress House, on Thursday, October 13, at 6-30 p.m. Shri S. K. Patil, the President of the B. P. C. C. will preside.

The team will meet the Mayor of Bombay at a reception at the Corporation Hall, on Friday, October 14, at 6 p.m.

KOHINOOR MILLS IN SEMI FINALS

Das Cup Football At Parel

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Kohinoor Mills 'A' by virtue of their solitary goal victory over Little Pioneers in the quarter-final round of the Das Cup this evening at the St. Xavier's Ground, Parel, earned the right to meet H.M.I. Dockyard 'A' in the penultimate found. Earlier in the evening in the same competition the junior string of R.I.N. accounted for St. Xavier's 'A' by the same margin.

The heavy showers during the afternoon rendered the ground treacherous and the barefooted players on either side found it very difficult to secure a proper foothold and consequently there were numerous spills at critical moments.

Little Pioneers held the whiphand in the initial half but the opposing defenders prevented them getting close enough to do any damage.

In the second period Kohinoor took over the offensive and midway through this half Banerjee, the Little Pioneers custodian came to the aid of side with a smart save from a rasping shot by Dinkar. Two minutes later the Mills scored what transpired to be later the all important goal when their right back drove the ball from midfield into the opposing territory and Jacob trapped the ball on top of the proscribed area and netted with a rasping drive which gave the goalkeeper no chance of saving.

In the closing stages Little Pioneers made determined efforts to equalise but Mendez under the Mills horizontal dealt confidently with all the shots directed at goal.

Meeting earlier in the evening in the same tournament R.I.N. 'B' beat St. Xavier's 'A' by the only goal of the match scored in the last ten minutes of play by Sahi who evaded the onrushing custodian and sent the ball into an untenanted net.

In the Day's Sport

FOOTBALL

St. Xavier's Ground, Parel

4-20 p.m. Dockyard 'A' vs. Volkart Bros. (Junior Rovers).

5-20 p.m. G. I. P. 'B' vs. Khatau S. C. (H.V.M. Cup Semi-final).

TABLE TENNIS

Students Y.M.C.A., Lamington Road.

5-30 p.m. First round Ladies Singles.
6-15 p.m. First and second rounds of third quarter of Men's Singles.
7-30 p.m. First and second rounds of fourth quarter of Men's Singles.

BOXING

Brabourne Stadium.

9 p.m. Rangers Club Boxing (International Contest).

The Bombay Chronicle

THE SERVICES

The debate on the services was marked by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's staunch defence of them. It was rather unfortunate that some of the members indulged in wild allegations and hostile comments. This is not because the services are beyond reproach but for the elementary reason that the services personnel cannot reply to criticism and they have to submit to even misrepresentation. It was equally unfortunate that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel should have completely lost his temper and identified himself emotionally with the services to the pont of threatening resignation. It has prevented the real situation from being presented to the House. But there can be no doubt that the services have stood the strain of the transition very well and on the whole have rendered good and devoted work for the country. There has been some sniping at the I.C.S. but it has all arisen from a misconception of the work they were expected to do and a certain insistence by the new entrants into office on proving themselves different from the previous regime. In the first Congress Ministries in the provinces, Congress ministers distrusted Indian I.C.S. men and leant more on the British personnel of the Services. There were notable instances of this in some provinces and in a way it was inevitable since the British were still with us and the nation was a divided camp. In the Centre, as Sardar Vallabhbhai himself pointed out, there was trouble too when the Congress assumed office and inability to get their instructions carried out had forced Congressmen to accept partition. The Independence Act was preceded by assurances given by Congressmen at the Centre and in the Provinces and with unusual theatricality, Sardar Vallabhbhai offered to go, along with the services if those assurances were now to be withdrawn. The Deputy Prime Minister by insisting on making a personal issue of the whole question obscured the principle of the thing but his excuse for the loss of temper was the depth to which the debate had sunk. The remark of the Deputy Prime Minister that apart from the services the only available corps of workers were Congressmen and Congress workers, was a biting warning to Congressmen, specially veteran Congressmen, not to be pharisaical. A tribute which the services must have deeply appreciated was the sentence in Sardar Vallabhbhai's speech, "They are as good as ourselves". The Deputy Prime Minister pointed out that the training of the men in the services was different and that they were doing all they could to keep order in the country. He also rebuked the Constituent Assembly members who were demanding Rs. 45 a day free of income tax, for carping at the salaries of civil servants.

There was another point made by the Home Minister which will be heard with interest. "If you want", he said, "an efficient all-India service I advise you to allow the service to open their mouth freely. If you are a Premier, it would be your duty to allow your Secretary or Chief Secretary or others working under you, to express their opinion without fear or favour. But I see a tendency today in several provinces that the services are set upon and told: No, you are servicemen, you must carry out our orders". If the meaning of this is that the Provincial Ministry should give in to the permanent services, it reduces the provincial administration to nothing. The position is liable to create confusion in the provinces. The Deputy Prime Minister could not have meant that, where the service and the ministers differed, the ministry must give in to the services. But this is just what the public—and possibly the services themselves—might be misled into understandng. It is well that the ministers in the provinces assert themselves on occasion. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel observed that he allows his secretary and others freedom to express their views. But he would be the last man to allow them to carry difference to the point of insistence; after all, the final decision must be the minister's. It is this which marks the British system that we have inherited and adapted—that the light of commonsense prevails over the opinion of experts who might be called in consultation or who might be ready with the facts and details. There are many things about our popular ministers, particularly in the provinces, which might profitably be changed but one cannot expect the permanent service to do this. But if Sardar Vallabhbhai meant that ministers should respect personality more and give ear to men in the services to a greater extent, even if they did not follow their advice on all occasions, it is a useful hint which would go far to smooth the wheels of administration.

Social Reactionaries

The pronouncements of our statesmen are getting more and more obscure. Premier Kher's latest statements on co-education and separate universities for boys and girls are now highlighted by the discovery that 90 per cent of our women prefer marriage to a career. But, what are the realities of our economic life? Roughly, from figures of pre-partition days, but nevertheless relatively valid, it would appear that, out of a total population of 18 crores of women, five crores are wage-earners; out of a total of 150 lakhs of industrial workers, one-third are women. In the professions and in the administrative services one-eighth of the total number employed are women.

Presumably the women whom Premier Kher has in mind, are the women of the leisured classes, certainly not the working classes, and presumably not of the fast disappearing middle classes. We do not find around us intelligent parents who confidently hope to provide a house and means to enable their daughters to live in comfort with consorts chosen for reasons other than of wealth. We should have thought that many girls now educate themselves with the object that, even if they do get married, and in case of need, they can contribute to the earnings of the family, bearing in mind the hard conditions of living in these sugarless, houseless days. The days when doughty husbands needed and obtained women educated in the fashion of the harem are over. Surely, if women are compelled to brush shoulders in the market-place, it is well that throughout their impressionable years they come to know, in the schools and colleges, the men they have to work with, men with their failings and their strength, for better or for worse. And is seclusion of women from men a part of Gandhi's teaching? A man who led women to face the police, to court jail, to march in procession against lathi charges, is that the person quoted to approve the preference of marriage over civic virtue?

The fact is that our politicians fought for political freedom in the manner of the military commanders who envisage territorial integrity without the slightest background of the social purpose of war. Liberty is vital for the growth of the individual or the state, for only in freedom of expression can they achieve the character and personality that will contribute worthily to the welfare of the community. There will be trials and there will be stress and suffering in the exercise of such liberty. Those who believe that by legislation, which ultimately means the bailiff and the policeman, virtue can be cultivated or that, by segregation of sexes, morals can be preserved, have no regard for the dignity and worth of the individual man. Those of us who were brought up under Annie Besant, herself at her best the product of Mill, must now regard the battle of liberty as just begun. Nothing less than the empire of reason and of the scientific mind is at stake; we are now discovering, to our cost, that those who invoke the voice of intuition against that of reason are but listening to the buzzing in their own bonnets.

Thought For The Day

Human nature will not flourish, any more than a potato, if it be planted and replanted, for too long a series of generations, in the same worn-out soil.

—HAWTHORNE.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

NEW YORK, October 10:.....Western diplomats are said to be examining carefully the possible implications of certain phrases used by the Russian Foreign Minister, M. Vyshinsky, in his speech before the General Assembly on September 22.

It is these words "rigid and international control" that are intriguing certain Western diplomats, especially as it is known that Russia will bring up next week new proposals for armament control, including the atom.

—P.T.I.

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Criticising the Congress Working Committee resolution on the R.S.S., Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan says: "This no doubt is a change of heart; but is it doubtful on which side the change has occurred?"

Neat, very neat. But what right has Mr. Jayapragash Narayan got to discuss Congress cardiac matters?

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Intervening in the debate on I.C.S. privileges in the Constituent Assembly, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel argued that "if the Princes could be persuaded to give up their power, will it be difficult to persuade the Service peoples?"

It is for the Service people to answer the question, isn't it?

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Pandit D. P. Mishra, Home Minister of the C.P. has sent a telegram to the Deputy Prime Minister of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, inviting his "personal attention" to the "extremely desperate" situation regarding supplies of sugar and many other essential commodities.....—P. T. I.

Even from the mouths of Ministers!

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Mr. Irving Brown, foreign representative of the American Federation of Labour, who is back in America after a visit to the Orient, has, says a report, warned that, though India was the main bulwark of anti-Soviet resistance in the Far East, that country "is slowly being caught up in a nut-cracker squeeze with the Russians holding the major prongs."

Help, help. We are being nut-cracked—although we are not aware of it.

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Mr. B. N. Rau, suggests, according to a Lake Success report, that the 59 member States of the United Nations should make a fresh attempt to frame a declaration on atomic energy control through the offices of the International Law Commission.

We recall—it certainly IS ancient history—that some 50 member States of the U. N. once framed a declaration, called the U. N. Charter.

DEVALUATION ALONE WILL NOT SAVE EUROPE

How will devaluation help Europe on the road to recovery? And how does it fit in with the Washington Agreement? One thing is certain, Europe has no easy road to travel, and paradoxically enough, it may be made harder by the palliative measures now taken. For, although devalued currency may open up the dollar markets to our manufacturers, we shall need to export far more to earn the same number of dollars, and to pay for our imports from the United States we shall need to treble the volume of goods now sent there. The problem is here examined by Dr. M. J. Elsas, member of the Rockeffeler Research Foundation's International Committee on the history of prices and wages.

By Dr. M. J. Elsas

LONDON.

The sudden devaluation of most European currencies has so bewildered everybody that the Washington Agreement, concluded only a short time ago, is almost forgotten. Yet it is of great importance. For the first time the United States have recognised that high tariffs are inconsistent with the position of a creditor country.

On the other hand it has been made quite clear that American Aid will come to an end by the middle of 1952. Thus, in less than three years Europe must be able to stand on its own feet. If Europe is able to earn the much needed dollars through an increase of her exports to America, then all is well: if this is not possible a reorganisation of intra-European trade will be necessary.

But let us make no mistake. To close Europe's dollar gap will not be easy. In fact, though devaluation should make it less difficult to sell goods to America, proportionately greater quantities have to be exported to earn the same number of dollars. Britain, for instance, would have to export three times as much to the United States as formerly to be able to pay for her imports of American goods.

A SLENDER HOPE

Maybe this will be possible, at least as long as British prices and wages do not rise—or do not rise proportionately with the devaluation of the pound. As soon as prices and wages adjust themselves, then only by an increase of productivity will European goods be competitive in the American market. But as long as there is state expenditure on a gigantic scale, over-taxation and full employment at all costs, there is only as slender hope that productivity will increase.

Even if it could be achieved, we should have to reckon with the resistance of American industry, which, quite naturally, would try to prevent too great an influx of foreign goods.

RISE AND FALL

There is much talk about the dollar gap, but I wonder how many have taken the trouble to find out the cause. Let us look for a moment at Europe's trend of production, as well as her imports and exports.

According to the "Survey of the economic situation and prospects of Europe," issued by the United Nations at Geneva last year, European production of steel, ingots and castings, was in 1947 already seven per cent. higher than in 1938. That, of course, excludes Germany, where the output was not higher than 18 per cent of pre-war.

In the United Kingdom, Belgium and Czechoslovakia steel production was up by 22 to 25 per cent, and has risen further since 1947.

These figures are highly satisfactory, and show a rapid recovery in heavy industry; but Europe's agricultural production is a different story.

Before the war, Europe (excluding Russia and Turkey) produced on an average 61,000,000 tons of bread grain; in 1947 it fell to 44,000,000 tons, and even less in 1948. Thus Europe had to import nearly 17,000,000 tons of bread grain in 1947, to guarantee a consumption per head of only five-sixths of the pre-war figure. A similar reduction occurred in coarse grain, livestock and potatoes; compared with the 1934-8 average, percentages produced fell to 68,83 and 74 respectively.

MORE MOUTHS

This fall in production coincided with an increase in population, with, of course, a corresponding fall in consumption per head.

The survey already mentioned points out that, owing to the increase in population, even a full restoration of pre-war agricultural output would still mean a six to eight reduction in output per head.

World population, according to estimates, has increased since 1920 by something like 600,000,000 making the present total about 2,375,000,000. This means an ever-increasing demand for food and raw materials, preventing a fall in world prices of primary products similar to that after the First World War.

The crux of the present situation is that Europe imports from the United States twice as much as before the war; of foodstuffs and manufactured goods it imports treble the amount. On the other hand, intra-European trade, excluding Russia, is not much more than half what it was. Hence the dollar gap.

GERMANY'S PART

This change in intra-European trade is to some extent the result of the greatly reduced imports and exports of post-war Germany. The sooner, there-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Battle Against Inflation

It was reported from New Delhi recently that the Food Ministers of the provinces who met in Conference had decided to reduce the price of food stuffs by ten per cent as a first step in bringing down the general price level. The decision was welcomed, for any reduction in food prices was bound to have a healthy effect on the price of other commodities. It would have also acted as a deterrent to Labour's claims for more wages; in short, it was the beginning of the battle against inflation. But all this has proved to be wishful thinking. A Madras report quotes the Food Minister of that province as saying "it was not obligatory on the Provincial Governments to reduce the overall price of food grains by ten per cent". One thought that was just what the report implied. Madras which is a deficit province, has made great headway in its procurement programme and this was in many cases due to the attractive prices offered to the producer. The province might naturally be afraid that a reduction in price will affect the procurement programme. The Food Minister, however, is hopeful that a reduction will be effected at the stage of sale to the consumer, by cutting down incidental expenses like commission to procurement agents and transport and distribution charges. Apart from the fact that this lays the Government open to the charge that they have been unnecessarily spending money which on the Minister's own assertion, could be economised by as much as ten per cent, the stopping of commission and economising transport expenses might tell upon the procurement programme and the Ministry might find itself facing a bigger deficit than the one for which it planned. There seems to be much confused thinking on the subject and while all provinces are enamoured of the idea of cutting down the price of food grains by ten per cent, they are not willing to take decisions which might be unpopular but which are necessary if the programme is to be fulfilled.

Why This Vote?

There is something intriguing in the Peshawar report that the Muslim League Assembly Party of the Frontier Province has passed a resolution expressing full confidence in the Premier. The provocation for this resolution was "mischievous rumours" which suggested that the Premier might be deputed to somewhere outside the Province. It will not be surprising if these rumours turn out to be based on truth. The fire-eating Premier of the Frontier got something more than he had bargained for when he set the Pathan tribesmen on Kashmir with promises of rich booty. They have had to be withdrawn for the havoc they wrought in the areas under their occupation in Kashmir did Pakistan's prestige no good. Now the Pathans are discontented and from reports in the Afghan Press it is apparent that the movement for a "Pukhtoonistan" is gathering momentum. Maybe the Central Government of Pakistan, which at first gave every encouragement to the warmongering activities of the Frontier Premier, is now evidently searching for a scapegoat and it might be now Mr. Qaiyum's turn to go. First Mr. Syed and then Mr. Khuhro had to pay the price of rebellion. The West Punjab was penalised as a whole for standing against Karachi's dictat, and now it seems that the Frontier Province too is to be taught a lesson. If Mr. Abdul Qaiyum does go, the punitive measure taken by Karachi will, for once, have been well-deserved by the victim of it.

Promise To Teachers

Mr. Asaf Ali, Governor of Orissa, has expressed the hope that as soon as the financial position of the province and the country improved, the teachers would get much more than they were now dreaming of. Dante chose "All hope abandon ye who enter here" as the motto for his hell, implying thereby that Hope is the one thing which keeps people at their task however gloomy the immediate prospect might look. Teachers will now begin to dream their most optimistic hopes, for has not the Orissa Governor promised them something which will be better than even their wildest imagination? There might, however, be a snag. It has been said by many that one of the reasons why India's financial situation is pretty bad is the fact that wages and salaries are high. It stands to reason that if the situation is to improve, wages and salaries will have to be reduced. But as soon as the financial situation improves, one can expect the teachers, who have a long memory, to demand the promised rise in salaries. And if the economists are right, the moment the salaries are raised, the financial situation will become serious indeed. And what should follow, but a wage cut? The teachers will be where they are.

Atavistic Rules

The rules framed by the Government of the Central Provinces and Berar for the maintenance of discipline in temples seem, in a certain respect to be reactionary in outlook. According to them, entry in temples is prohibited to professional beggars and to persons who are supposed to pass through a brief period of pollution following births or deaths in their families. This is reversion to orthodoxy which is steadily disappearing and which every civilised State should discourage. Legal provisions are bound to be ineffective, in the case of pollution after birth, or death which was imposed upon Hindus by orthodox religion, as it will be impossible to detect individual cases. Again there could be no justification for denying, to beggars, the right to enter temples, if they happen to be Hindus. It would be more pertinent if the Government addressed itself to the task of eliminating beggary. No new class of untouchables with respect to temple-entry should be created, when temples have been already thrown open to the people who had suffered for centuries through social ostracism. As regards the maintenance of order and decorum and due observance of rites and ceremonies, much could be achieved by negotiations with the management of temples and not by passing regulations. The rules framed by the Government of the C.P. and Berar, also for this purpose, will leave the temples at the level of routine worship; but what is needed is the development of temples as centres of instruction in liberal religion, philosophy and principles of morality. Besides attending the formal service, visitors should acquire in temples some knowledge and enlightenment. This is a reform which is long overdue and upon which Hindu society ought to focus its attention now.

Inflammable Materials

The City Police has invited the co-operation of the public for the detection of illegal storage of inflammable material in residential buildings in Bombay. The authorities, according to the Police news, will greatly appreciate information of such cases and will not disclose the identity of informants if so desired by them. The citizens should develop public spirit and should play their role freely in the enforcement of a law which is intended for their safety. They should not hesitate to convey to the Police, information regarding the cases known to them, of the infringement of rules for the storage of inflammable material. The Police, in its turn, should take due notice of such information and should act promptly. Appeals to the public for co-operation should, however, not be made an excuse by the Police for relaxing vigilance over the movements of inflammable material. After all the initiative in the enforcement of law and order should come from the executive authorities. Since the localities of trades involving dealings in such material are not unknown, it should be the duty of the Police to keep a constant watch over them and to make sure that residential buildings are not used for the storage of any inflammable stuff.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

The New Canute

The world remembers King Canute when it wants to be amused. The spectacle of that monarch calling upon the waves to cease beating on the shores is no doubt amusing in recollection, but what of the people who had to tolerate that Knight of the Lunatic Asylum at the helm of affairs? They would have had very anxious moments, one can be sure. Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, has appealed "to the trading community not to raise prices of sugar at this very 'critical' phase of national life." We are in the position of the subjects of King Canute. We are a non-violent people, accustomed to take many things lying down, and only this explains the fact that imbecility of this sort is tolerated and the Minister continues in office. If Mr. Gadgil believes that the mercantile community is going to listen to his words, he is wecome to his illusions but the people at large will have other opinions. It is high time that Ministers of Government imposed a voluntary ban on their speeches and spoke if at all, only when affairs which come under their sphere are in debate. There is a lot of work to be done in the development sphere even after the drastic cut in our works programme following devaluation, and Mr. Gadgil's energies can be best utilized in that department. Or he can attend to the scandal of the refugee hutments which fell like a pack of cards the other day in Delhi and see that such things do not happen again.

Mr. Gadgil's advice, however, is gracious in comparison with that of Bombay's Minister of Civil Supplies, who too gave a few tips on the sugar crisis. An interviewer asked him recently how the people in the low income groups could afford the price of sugar. (It must be stated in parenthesis that the price of sugar when Mr. Desai was asked this question was very much less than what it is today.) The Minister's reply was prompt. "The Minister had not overlooked the fact (wrote the gushing interviewer). He was not short of sympathy for them. He has made plenty of provision for gur as substitute for sugar. Most of the people consuming sugar would not mind paying a slightly higher price, while those who cannot can use gur which is easily and cheaply available." The Minister might have heard of a famous queen of France. A somewhat similar problem had arisen in those days. There was tumultuous concourse of people in the street, and the queen asked her Minister what the outcry was about. The Minister said that the people wanted bread, but they could not get it. "Why not these ignorant people eat cake?" asked the queen indignantly. Marie Antoinette's head was chopped off. The Minister says if the people cannot get sugar, let them eat gur. And even docile Indians are apt to look at the suggestion with same impatience, especially when the price of gur has gone up to twelve annas a pound as against the seven annas a pound they were paying for sugar only recently.

—K. S. IYER.

Sugar Shippers

"While thanking Mr. S. K. Patil, the Mayor of Bombay for the anxiety he is showing in finding out a solution for the present crisis of sugar in the city, I appeal to Mr. Manekial, the President of the Bombay Sugar Merchants' Association Ltd., to whom, as it is reported, the work of sugar distribution has been given by the Government of Bombay, to act more in the spirit of service to the public than to act with profit motives for the members of the Association. For equitable and efficient distribution of sugar to the public, Mr. Manekial should invite co-operation from other allied associations of retailers and confectioners by incorporating one or two delegates from each of the such associations in the managing board to be created specially for the purpose. The whole distribution work should be allowed to be handled by creating a new body under the name of "Federation of Sugar Distributors" giving all the allied associations chance of membership to voice their opinion and share the responsibility of distribution in the city. In view of the availability of limited supply of sugar from the Central Government, the rationing by the Provincial Government is well-nigh impossible and we shall have to make best of the available quota till larger supplies are coming in the city."

I. T. PAREKH,
Secretary, Sugar Shippers & Buyers Association.

Sugar Scarcity

Much has been said about the sugar famine, yet more remains to be told, and the appalling dearth for the sweet material continues unabated, despite all assertions from Government quarters that "it is a false scarcity. A section of the public has even begun to think aloud on the lines that the control machinery is virtually a handy contrivance in the hands of some scheming legislators, to make national economy a replica of the share market. The facts of the case are still a mystery to the common man but indications are that there has been a great bungling in key positions. Firstly, what was the necessity for freezing the stock, without at first making sure of adequate arrangements for its equitable distribution, at a time when sugar was available at all shops, with prospects of fresh arrivals by mid-November? Even if a temporary shortage was scented, from our experience of de-controls and re-controls, would it not have been prudent to leave things to take their own course of tiding over the situation? Secondly, how has the Government discharged its responsibility by suspending sale of the freezed and ready stocks on a festive occasion and then allowing doleful distribution in a faltering manner? If it was with an idea of reducing the retail price to the consumer by an anna a pound, does the Government realise that, in desperation, the public are made to pay even three times its cost in black market? And, after a period of de-control, is sugar going to be re-controlled at a hundred per cent. inflated price? All this in the name of a Protected Industry.

Matunga, —K. N. PISHARODY.

Enquiry Wanted

The scarcity of sugar is partly due to the way in which even the small quantity which has been received in Bombay is distributed. It seems the bags were delivered to the Sugar Merchants Association and the Sugar Merchants Association gave the same to the Grain Merchants Association to be distributed to the grain merchants to be sold to the public. So far as A Ward is concerned it seems the sugar given to the merchants has gone underground. In view of this there is no surprise that the public are clamouring for sugar with no effect. Will an enquiry be held into this?

—K. RAMACHANDRA.

Suburban Buses

The extension of B.E.S.T. bus service to suburbs upto Jogeshwari is welcomed by residents in those areas but the service is found incapable to meet the requirements of the people. Long queues of people are waiting for hours at intermediate stages to get seats. Under such a state it will be essential to study rush hours and provide more buses. However, if the municipality is not in a position to increase the number of buses, it will be desirable to reverse a few buses during rush hours from Andheri, Paris and Santa Cruz so that those who are waiting for hours at intermediate stages will have a fair chance to get in. This will save time and make the service effective and satisfactory. This change will not involve any extra expenditure and if the authorities are anxious to provide satisfactory service, the above suggestion will be found very useful.

—G. V. PATEL.

Saurashtra Mails

Bilimora is a commercial, and industrial town and a junction of G. B. S. Rly. and a port. Repeated requests to the authorities to stop up and down Saurashtra Mails at Bilimora have had no effect.

Though more important than Bulsar and Navsari, Bilimora has been provided with only 11 trains per day while Navsari and Bulsar have got the facilities for 18 trains per day (including almost all mail trains.) Bilimora has not been provided with a single mail train.

They have discarded our requests under following pretexts.

(I)—No tickets can be issued for intermediate stations at certain distances for any class—while same facilities have been given to Navsari and Bulsar and other stations to Palghar.

(II)—No entry of passengers at sleeping hours. While Surat, Navsari and Bulsara and other stations have been granted.

This kind of treatment shows injustice to the public of Bilimora.

When a special favour has been shown to other stations by stopping Saurashtra mail trains we dont understand for what reason Bilimora denied this facility.

—C. B. DALAL.

GARDENING

The Portulaca is a sun-loving, drought-resisting little plant with fleshy stems and leaves, and loves a situation in the bright sunshine. The cultivated forms have cup-shaped flowers in all the shades of yellow, orange, red and deep maroon, some single and some double, and the flowers make a wonderful show in the mornings for they open with the sunrise and close again by midday. There are several wild varieties of Portulaca among our smaller garden and roadside plants, and these, while they should, I suppose, be classed as weeds, since "a weed is a flower growing in the wrong place" make a pretty groundwork on flower beds and garden paths. They are tiny plants, only about two inches in height, with bronzy-red stems and leaves and small four-petalled flowers of bright golden yellow. When these plants grow in great profusion they serve a useful purpose during the monsoon, for their spreading fibrous roots keep the soil and gravel from being washed away as the water drains away after a heavy shower.

—D. R.

PORTULACA

Pakistan Newsletter

MERCHANTS HIT BY DEVALUATION

Pakistan Government Think Of Exchange Rate Reduction

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

The economic blockade that has been created between India and Pakistan on account of the total stoppage of trade between the two Dominions following devaluation of the Indian rupee, has been engaging earnest attention of the Pakistan authorities who appear to feel, during the short span of about a fortnight only, that such a state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue for long and therefore a way out of the impasse must be found at the earliest opportunity.

With this end in view, the Pakistan Government, it is learnt, has been very seriously considering the question of reducing the exchange rates of Indian and Pakistan rupees. During the past week, local markets were agog with rumours of all sorts in this connection, and at one time it was felt that the exchange rate would be reduced to as low as 105 Indian rupees for Pakistan's 100 instead of 144 as at present fixed.

While the Government of India appear quite adamant in their resolve not to have any trade connections with this neighbouring State unless some satisfactory exchange arrangement is found, the Pakistan authorities in their anxiousness to resume normal trade channels with India as in the past, have as a first tep announced reduction of Rs. 20 per bale in its duty on cotton. Besides, all banks in Pakistan have since been authorised to pay up cheques, demand-drafts, Hundies, etc., drawn on them by the Indian banks before September 19, at par, instead of at the new exchange rate of 69-1/2 Pakistan rupees for every 100 Indian rupees.

The non-fixation of an agreed exchange rates between the two Dominions has put the local businessmen also in a fix since they had very large dealings left unfinished with Indian merchants. Since no bank in India or Pakistan can transact exchange business between the two Dominions, these merchants are reported to have resorted to the ancient Hundi system. During the past week, Hundies worth lakhs of rupees are reported to have been exchanged between businessmen of the two Dominions the rate of exchange sometimes being as low as 107 Indian rupees instead of 144 fixed officially for every 100 Pakistan rupees. A sort of speculation has also been resorted to in this connection.

MIGRATION OF HINDUS FROM PAKISTAN

The migration of Hindus from Sind which had practically ceased for some months past, has now once again been going on with redoubled vigour following the promulgation of the Evacuee Properties Ordinance in Pakistan and its working in the most arbitratory way.

Daily, hundreds of Sindhi Hindus, out of the total of nearly one lakh and a half, still continuing to remain in Sind, are now pouring in the Pakistan capital, most of whom have been deprived of all their belongings by the Deputy Custodians of their Districts on the plea that since they were migrating to India, they were evacuees, and, therefore, all their properties, whether moveable or immoveable, vested in the Custodian.

Local Swaminarayan Mandir Transit Camp, which is the only place now Camp, which is the only place now left for the Hindus to take shelter here, pending availability of steamer tickets to Bombay, is now practically full. Besides the 100 and odd tenements used for housing these migrants, people have to stay in the vast open compound where special tents have been pitched for them. The scramble for getting early steamer tickets has also begun and all steamers going India-wards are now full, mostly with Hindu evacuees.

Conditions in the interior of Sind, which is the only province in Western Pakistan where Hindus have still clung to their ancestral homes, are said to be worsening as the days roll-by, and the way in which things are taking place, it is feared the day will not be far off when Sind will also become at par with other Pakistan provinces with practically no Hindus left there!

HARIJANS, THE WORST SUFFERERS

Harijans, who number nearly half a lakh still in Sind, are said to be the worst sufferers. Being poorer of the lot, they can not easily reach the high officials to register their complaints and therefore reports show that they are compelled to embrace Islam in ever-increasing numbers. Many of them, however, who have no other means except their live-stock and the agricultural implements, are said to be prepared to track their journey to India on foot if proper police escort is provided for the way. Some of them are also reported to have already crossed the Pakistan border in this way and entered India through the Rann of Cutch.

'Kaffron Ka Khoon Karo' (alias 'Murder the Kaffirs') are the slogans with which the walls in some important towns of Sind are now painted by the Muslim refugees. This has naturally created much nervousness amongst the Hindus and as already stated above most, of them are preparing bag and baggage to migrate to India.

PAN-ISLAMIC SHIPPING COMPANY

A Pan-Islamic Steamship Company with a capital of Rs. 5 crores drawn from all over the Muslim world, is about to be floated in Karachi.

As the name of the Company implies, the Pan-Islamic Steamships will will operate regular steamer services berween ports in Pakistan and all other Muslim countries of the world.

Proposals to construct two dry-docks in Karachi, and two more in or near Chittagong, at an estimated cost of Rs: 4 crores, are said to be under active consideration of the Government of Pakistan.

Besides the proposal for a ship-building yard for Karachi is also under consideration and include the import of available plants from Germany and United States, the establishment of practical work-schools located within the shipyard and the import of foreign skilled technicians and experts from Germany and other foreign countries.

DEEPEST OIL WELL IN PAKISTAN

The Burmah Oil Company, which has been carrying on its operation in Sind and West Punjab to find oil for the past many months, have now reached a record depth of 10,576 feet in their digging of a well in Lakhara in the Dadu District of Sind. This well is now the deepest in Indo-Pakistan sub-continent and therefore greatest interest is being shown by the oil industry in its progress, specially because of the unusually heavy drilling fluid, weighing 130 pounds per cubic foot (more than twice the weight of water) which is used to keep gas under control. No oil, however, has yet been found from this well though four gas 'pockets' have been encountered by now.

Stop Press

SIND PRESS STRIKE

KARACHI, Oct. 11 (PTI).—The five members of the "Sind Observer" staff, who had been suspended by the editor of the paper and later arrested for alleged trespass, were today produced before the additional City Magistrate here and were granted bail of Rs. 500 each.

The case will come up for hearing on October 31.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).—Pandit Nehru responded briefly to Mr. Truman's greetings. The national anthems of the United States and of India, the Jana Gana Mana, were played after which Pandit Nehru inspected the guard of honour presented by all branches of the services.

In the first car that left the airport, preceded by a motorised and motor cycle escort, were President *Truman, Pandit Nehru, Mrs. Vijaya* Lakshmi Pandit and Secretary of State Acheson.

NEHRU'S TOUR OF AMERICA

(Continued from page 1)

A visit to the National Gallery of Art and to the United States Senate and House of Representatives will be made on Thursday. On Friday Pandit Nehru will be the guest of nonour at a luncheon to be given by the National Press Club. That evening a reception will be held at the Indian Embassy, to introduce high American and diplomatic officials to him.

Early on Saturday morning the Prime Minister and his party will leave for a week in New York City where numerous engagements have been arranged.—USIS.

Pandit Nehru rested at Goose Bay Labrador, this morning on his way to Washington.

State Department officials making last-minute arrangements for the first visit of Pandit Nehru to the United States told reporters that his plane would leave Goose Bay at 4 p.m. G.M.T. (9-30 p.m. I.S.T.) on the last lap of his journey to Washington.

These officials said they expected Pandit Nehru to arrive promptly in President Truman's personal plane the "Independence" at 9-30 p.m. G.M.T.

He was being met with full official and military honours by President Truman, the United States Cabinet and Congressional leaders.

The Prime Minister will be the guest of President Truman at dinner tonight and will stay at Blair House, the Presidents's present residence, for his first night on American soil.

PROGRAMME

An intensive programme of meetings and ceremonies has been arranged for the Prime Minister's four-day visit to the United States capital.

He is expected to make at least one major speech during the National Press Club Luncheon on Friday which will be attended by the leading political and diplomatic correspondents of the United States.

He will also appear on Thursday before both the United States Senate and the House of Representatives.

Considerable numbers of Indian residents in the United States were reported to be arriving in Washington today from New York and other cities to welcome Pandit Nehru.

Several hundreds of them were expected to be at the airport to greet him.

It is generally expected that during his visit to Washington the opportunity will be taken for some sort of official discussion apart from the normal ceremonial attending a state visit.

The addition of Sir Chintaman Deshmukh to Pandit Nehru's party underlined the possible financial and economic aspects of the Prime Minister's visit.

Prime Minister Nehru has made it clear, however, that he is not coming to the United States in search of any loans and that his visit is primarily a goodwill one.

NO LOAN BUSINESS

Indian diplomatic sources today insisted that Pandit Nehru would not ask for a loan during his visit. They described as "unfounded" reports circulating here that he might ask the World Bank for a loan to build an Indian" Tennessee Valley Authority' on the Damodar River.

They pointed out, however, that the Bank and India were negotiating for a loan to be made for a separate power project in that area.

FINAL TOUCHES

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, the Indian Ambassador to the United States was busy putting the final touches to preparations at the Indian Embassy here today for the arrival of Prime Minister Nehru. It is understood that she will accompany her brother throughout his three weeks' tour.

Mr. Loy Henderson, the American Ambassador in India, who is at present here for consultations with the United States Government will also accompany the Indian Prime Minister for most of his tour. He will be at White Sulphur Springs, Virginia, where Pandit Nehru will spend a quiet weekend on October 29.

A number of leading American industrial and political figures are likely to have talks with the Prime Minister while he is at the Springs.

WREATH AT UNKNOWN SOLDIER'S TOMB

Pandit Nehru's Homage

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—When Prime Minister Nehru places the traditional wreath of visiting dignitaries at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the Arlington National Cemetery tomorrow, he will visit one of the loveliest sites of Washington, with scenes and associations rich in patriotic significance to all Americans.

"Here rests in honoured glory an American soldier known but to God," are the simple words carved on the Unknown Soldier's Tomb.

There Nehru's tribute will join those of most of the world's great who have visited Washington since World War I. It will join, too, the intangible tokens of the hundreds of thousands of ordinary citizens who from all parts of the United States make pilgrimage there, as to a shrine.

Looking across the Potomac River from Arlington, Nehru will see the classic Lincoln Memorial in the immediate foreground.

In the distance, beyond the memorial, towers the Washington Monument, dominating the Washington skyline, and in the far background rises the dome of the United States Capitol, where Congress will welcome the Indian Prime Minister on Thursday.

There are about 70,000 graves in Arlington, which is the largest and most famous of American national burial grounds. Generals are there, and admirals, a former President, and men whose names stand out in the pages of history. But mostly they are soldiers, sailors and marines, the rank and file of the country's men-at-arms in every war it has had to fight. The cemetery covers more than 400 acres and was once part of the estate of George Washington Custis, the adopted son of George Washington.

AT MOUNT VERNON

Up the Potomac River, some miles from the Arlington hillside, Nehru will stand silently and place the traditional wreath of visiting heads of State at the tomb of another American.

This tomb is simple, too, and it is old—an old brick structure, shaded by vines and trees. The inscription over it says simply: "Within this inclosure rest the remains of General George Washington."

Again, Nehru's tribute joins that of the world's famous who have journeyed to Mount Vernon, and of multitudes of plain Americans who visit there every day of the year.

OTTAWA: Pandit Nehru will address both Canadian Houses of Parliament on October 24, the External Affairs Department announced here today.

He will arrive in Ottawa on Sunday, October 23, for a two-day visit and will also pay an unofficial visit to Vancouver on November 2 and 3.

CURTAIN-RAISING RECEPTION

Newspapers' Praise

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11, (PTI): While officialdom was giving the finishing touches to the welcome to be accorded to Pandit Nehru here today the newspapers gave a great "curtain-raising" reception to the Indian Prime Minister in their editorial and news columns this morning.

The Washington dailies, and papers reaching here from New York and other cities by air mail, published front page pictures of Pandit Nehru They described him in their headlines as the "spokesman for freed Asia" and the "hero of India's fight for freedom."

One noticeable feature of all press notices was that even papers and writers who have sometimes shown a tendency to be critical of Indian policies had nothing but words of admiration for Nehru as a "world statesman" and "internationalist".

GREAT LEADER

The Washington Post, in a story spread over hree columns on the front page, said: "From the President down, officials are eager to show him (Nehru) every respect as leader of the most populous non-Communist nation and as spokesman for all the newly independent millions of Asia."

The paper added, "Officials hope that when Nehru flies back to India early in November, he will have a new respect for the United States and a truer understanding of its policies and its people."

Many of the newspaper articles on Nehru attached to his visit a greater importance than to similar ones paid by other diplomats of equal rank in the last two years.

WARM WELCOME

NEW YORK, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): The New York Times in a leading article today said that America would extend its wormest welcome to Pandit Nehru. The paper added: "It will be his first trip to this country and there will be a virtually unanimous hope that it will not be the last."

The paper said that during the little more than two years he headed the Government of India, Pandit Nehru had made a notable record of accomplishment and mentioned three things in his administration as outstanding.

Firstly, he was able successfully to ride out the awful storm of communal rioting, which was in effect an undeclared civil war, that followed the partition of India.

Secondly, he was able to assert his personality as something of an unofficial leader of modern-minded Asiatics.

Thirdly, he was able to meet and successfully solve the tricky constitutional problem of how India was to become a Republic and still remain within the framework of the British Commonwealth.

IN THEIR HEARTS

"In the long run, however," the paper commented, "it is likely that Pandit Nehru will make his place in the hearts of Americans not by virtue of his political accomplishments but by virtue of his personal attributes. He will be admired as an individual long after his leadership has passed on to others. His integrity will be honoured when his skills have ceased to be of consequence."

The New York Times Diplomatic Correspondent in Washington wrote: "Officials here realise that they will be meeting for the first time on American soil perhaps the most influential political figure in Asia, and being a little baffled about how to deal with the rising nationalism of the East, they are particularly eager that this visit should be a success."

Leaves London Earlier Than Scheduled

LONDON, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter): The American President's private plane "Independence" left London air port, at midnight with the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and his party.

According to earlier plans, the plane was to have left early on Tuesday morning, but owing the possibility of ground fog in the morning which might make taking off difficult, the schedule was advanced.

LAUGH AND BE HAPPY TOMORROW

The view that religion and pleasure cannot go together is doing "infinite harm to the cause of Christianity," says a vicar.

The Rev. Dennis Large, vicar of St. James's, Merton, S.W., told the 'Daily Mirror' last night: "I believe that if a sport—football, greyhound racing, cricket—*is right on Monday, it's right* on Sunday."

And writing in his parish magazine he says:

"A lot of people are still very ignorant as to what is really the Christian law about the keeping of Sunday, and still think that to laugh and be happy on it is a sin.

'Sunday became a holiday by order of the State and to rest on it is therefore a privilege conferred by the State, and not a duty imposed by God.

"Thus the fact of working or not working on Sunday has no religious significance, and the Church should not be more keen about enforcing Sunday rest than in dealing with other social matters such as war or

"There is no justification whatever for the view that certain games, held to be all right on weekdays, such as cards are wrong on Sunday."

'A MISGUIDED MINORITY'

Mr. Large vriticises 'the crowd of people who call themselves the Lord's Day Observance Society.

"Their views seem to most normal people to be narrow and gloomy," he writes.

"It is never made clear that these views are held by a misguided minority some of whom have no connection with the Church."

"The result is that the Church is called narrow and bigoted, and people get the idea that religion means stopping people having a good time.'

The vicar believes that an ideal Sunday for a Christian should be spent in going to church with the rest of the day as a holiday.

"Play sports. It's no worse doing these things on a Sunday than any other day," he told the 'Daily Mirror'. ment.

LAND RECLAMATION IN INDIA

U. K. To Deliver Mechanical Ploughs

(By G. d'Arnaud-Taylor)

Britain is arranging for a special allocation of steel to a London firm of heavy plough manufacturers, with whom the Government of India have placed an order for 300 ploughs.

These ploughs are to be used on a priority scheme for reclaiming an area of 220,000 acres of Kans-infested land in Central India. If this area were reclaimed and cultivated, it would, according to Government estimates, be able to yield approximately 80,000 tons of wheat annually.

The eradication of Kans grass is one of the biggest items in the Government of India's work of land reclamation and this task is the responsibility of the Central Tractor Organization. In 1948, the Organisation reclaimed 32,306 acres of Kans-infested land, and it plans to reclaim this year 100,000 acres, mostly in the U.P., the C.P., the Madhya Bharat Union and East Punjab. In addition, there is a seven-year plan of reclaiming 6,000,000 acres of Kans-infested lands for which India has already applied to the International Bank for a loan.

DEEP-ROOTED WEED

Kans belongs to the same family of grasses as the sugarcane, and, with its long, underground, creeping roots, is found throughout India up to an elevation of about 4,000 feet. It thrives best on damp, heavy clay soils—particularly those of Central India—where its roots often go down to a depth of two to three feet. It is for this reason that Kans is one of the most difficult grasses to eradicate from cultivated land. Once an area gets infested with Kans, the weed grows and spreads rapidly and within three to five years the land becomes wholly impossible to cultivate.

Experiments conducted over a period of years show that the most effective way of controlling Kans and bringing back into cultivation Kans-infested lands is to plough the areas to a depth of at least a foot during the period January to May. The ploughing must be completed about a month before the start of the Monsoon to ensure that the last furrow turned up by deep ploughing has been completely dried by the heat of the sun and all Kans roots have been destroyed.

The Government of India decided that for the Central India reclamation scheme they required 180 heavy tractors and 300 heavy ploughs. Deliveries of the tractors required—which were only obtainable in the U.S.A.—were promised to begin in August this year and to be completed by the end of October. That meant that the tractors would be reaching India by the end of December.

The ploughs required were "Super-trac" ploughs, manufactured only by a London firm. This firm gave special consideration to the order, but were able to offer to begin delivery of the ploughs only from January 1950. This, of course, did not suit India, for it meant that a whole ploughing season would be lost.

The firm, however, stated that they could not improve on their offer without assistance. To enable the 300 ploughs to be delivered in time, they intimated that special deliveries of the necessary steel would be essential.

The tractors clearly would be useless without the ploughs and on the grounds of essentiality to the food production of India and the possible reduction of dollar expenditure, the Government of India asked the British Government for help to be given to the firm to enable them to begin delivery of the ploughs from mid-September and to complete delivery by the end of December, 1949.

This request was very favourably received by Britain. Accordingly, discussions took place between the appropriate Departments of the British Government and the manufacturers. At these discussions it was decided that everything possible would be done to arrange for an early, special allocation of steel to the firm even though this steel was urgently needed for and had already been earmarked for other manufactures.

SHIPMENTS SPEEDED UP

As a result of this action, the firm was able to make a fresh offer of delivery of 20 ploughs in November, with 20 ploughs per week in December and a speeding up of deliveries in the following period.

Mr. D. R. Sethi, Agricultural Development Commisioner of India, visited Britain in July to discuss the matter, and, in consultation with his Government, the offer was accepted.

Progress on the delivery of the ploughs is being watched by the British Government to ensure that they are shipped in time.

"PARTY FEELINGS" IN JUBBULPORE CONGRESS

President's Allegations

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, (My Mail)

Shri Hari Har Vyas, President of the Jubbulpore City Congress Committee, who has resigned from his office to which he was returned unopposed last year, has, in the course of signed statement to the Press, stated that "there had been an atmosphere of strong party feelings in the Jubbulpore City Congress Committee which hampered the smooth working of the Congress organisation." He has further stated that 'the secretary of the City Congress Committee had failed to render the account of the collections he had made from the public in the name of the Congress and also to submit to me the records of the office in spite of my repeated requests to him for the return of the records".

Concluding, Shri Vyas has said that "all these factors had become so much annoying and disgusting to me that I thought it to be the best in the interest of the Organisation to resign from the office I had been holding, and to serve the Country as an humble worker to the best of my ability.' Shri Vyas is a graduate of the Gujrat Vidya Pitha and has been working in the Congress since 1920. He is also the President of the Jubbulpore Harijan Sewak Sangh and the secretary of the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund, Jubbulpore.

STOCKS OF SUGAR SEIZED

Jubbulpore has been facing an acute famine of sugar for the last five weeks. Sugar is being sold at the rate of Rs. 2|8|- per seer for seven days past in the open blackmarket, Fortyone bags of sugar were seized from the possession of two persons on the 4th inst when the police had raided their godowns.

The Provincial Government have allotted a consignment of 900 bags for Jubbulpore, and it is stated that these bags are on their way to Jubbulpore. The Government have stated that this quota of 900 bags has been allotted for the consumption of seven weeks. One does not know as to when this quota would reach Jubbulpore and how it would be distributed among the consumers. The population of Jubbulpore is over 4,00,000. The authorities have been contemplating to distribute sugar to the consumers at the rate of one pound of sugar per week per individual who may succeed in securing this 'precious' article from the Government controlled fair-price grain-shops. There are 120 such fair-price shops in Jubbulpore, and every shopkeepper would receive one bag of sugar per week for a period of seven weeks. Of the 900 bags, 840 bags would be given to the fair-price shopkeepers for the distribution purpose and the remaining 60 bags would be kept at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner.It is estimated that if the 900 bags of sugar were distributed among the consumers at the rate of one pound per capita, then only 1,92,000 persons out of a total population of over 4,00,000 would be in a position to secure it for their use for a period of 7 weeks? It means that an ounce of sugar will be allotted per capita per week in Jubbulpore?

Non-sugar preparations have replaced the sweet-meats in the confectioners' shops and the tea is served with GUR instead of sugar in the hotels of the city.

CHILD SAVES MOTHER'S LIFE

The life of a young woman, who was, it is alleged, going to commit suicide by hanging herself from the rafter of her house, has been saved in village Garhakota, by the cries of her child. It is reported that when the child noticed her mother putting the noose of the rope round her neck, she started crying loudly, and her pitiable wailings drew the attention of the passersbye, who upon entering into the house found the woman dangling from the rafter. She was immediately taken down and the first-aid, which was rendered to her, saved her from untimely death.

3 Hurs Shot Dead

KARACHI, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter): The Sind police rangers killed three outlawed Hurs in an armed encounter yesterday, eight miles from Shahdadpur, it was learned.

The three Hurs also carried prizes on their heads. The police recovered from them two .303 rifles, one double barrel gun, considerable ammunition and Rs. 2,000 in cash.

Bengal Red Arrests

CALCUTTA, Oct. 11, (UPI): The police today raided the office of the Communist—controlled Bengal Trade Union Congress and arrested 21 persons. They were arrested for the continued disturbance in a pottery in Entally area.

Two other Communist workers were arrested today on charge of fomenting trouble among railway employees.

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For selling bread illegally and at a higher than the controlled price, RAHIMTULLA MANJI was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and fined Rs. 100 or in default to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment on each of the two counts.

For obtaining a ration card on false information in 'A' form, MANUEL GONSALVES was fined Rs. 40 or in default to undergo one month's simple imprisonment.

INDIA TRYING TO FORCE DOWN JUTE PRICES

Pakistan Minister's Charge

KARACHI, Oct. 10 (P.T.I.-Reuter—Pakistan Commerce Minister Fazlur Rahman alleged here tonight that India had "instituted unfriendly and discriminatory practices" against Pakistan.

India's failure to recognise Pakistan's decision not to devalue her rupee when sterling has devalued had brought inter-dominion trade to a standstill, the Minister said.

"India has set herself to force down the price of raw jute by unilateral decisions which if successful would involve an unnecessary sacrifice of dollar earnings for the sterling area, Mr. Rahman said.

He hoped India would see her interest lay "not in crippling trade with Pakistan but in expanding it".

He was announcing Pakistan's new trade policy, which showed no changes in import of export duties, except the recent 33 per cent reduction on long staple cotton exports.

The open general licence which was suspended after Pakistan's decision against devaluation, was reinstated, with certain modifications.

Unlicenced transactions will be allowed until June 1950 'in certain essential commodities." They include machinery, medicines, selected chemicals, metals and ores, mineral oils, and coke, milk products, dyeing and tanning regents, lorries and jute products.

All other imports will be licensed up to quotas to be announced shortly, the statement continued.

Present export duties on jute would be maintained, the minister said.

"Our programme contemplates no reduction of export duty" he added.

"We have no intention of involving ourselves in any form of multiple currency practice. The only rupee we recognise is the Pakistan rupee", Mr. Rahman declared.

He said jute, growers had been advised to withhold stocks pending stabilisation of the new exchange position.

The Government, however, were prepared to support cultivators in securing a fair and reasonable price for their products.

He said jutes would be exported through Chittagong and through Calcutta.

Under international obligation India was bound to give Pakistan transit facilities for her jute through the port of Calcutta, he stated.

'We have no reason to presume India will not do so", he added.

FULL CONFIDENCE IN QUAYUM

Frontier Muslim League Resolution

PESHAWAR, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter): A resolution expressing full confidence in the Frontier Premier, Khan Abdul Quayum Khan, was passed at the Muslim League Assembly Party meeting held under the chairmanship of the Premier here today.

Eighteen out of 20 members attended the meeting.

The resolution referred to "mischievous rumours which certain people try to spread in order to create disruption," it added; "according to these rumours our leader may be deputed outside this province. It is our unanimous opinion that his services are needed most in N.W.F.P. therefore we will not allow him to deprive us of his services."

The party meeting also discussed the N.W.F.P. Prohibition Act and it was decided the sentence of imprisonment for those found brewing or distilling liquor be extended from six months to two years.

EGYPTAIN PRINCE DEAD

MILAN, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter):—Prince Hoschen Bassan, cousin of the King of Egypt, died of heart attack today while playing golf at Montorfano. He was fory-one.

SHAH OF IRAN TO VISIT PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter):—The Shah of Iran will pay an official visit to Pakistan during the coming cold weather, the Pakistan Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations Ministry announced today.

SACHAR ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Congress Rift And After

SIMLA, Oct. 11 (PTI): The East Punjab Premier, Mr. Bhtimsen Sachar, is understood to have been asked by the Central Parliamentary Board to furnish his reply to the memorandum submitted to the Board by some members of the Provincial Assembly, expressing lack of confidence in his leadership.

A sealed cover was delivered to Mr. Sachar today by a special messenger from the Parliamentary Board. The cover is understood to contain copies of two memoranda—one submitted to the Board by 34 of the 79 members of the East Punjab Assembly, and the other by the Premier's Cabinet colleague, Dr. Gopichand Bhargava.

Mr. Sachar, it is learnt, has been asked to send his replies to both these memoranda through the same messenger. The Parliamentary Board is expected to consider them in Delhi on October 13.

INDIAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

A Model For Asia

The Indian Railway Association has been referred to as a model for such organisations in the Asia and Far East region, at the Transport Expert Committee of ECAFE, writes PTI correspondent K. N. Ramanathan here.

Pakistan and India discussed problems of common concern in regard to railways. They both agreed to make available to the countries of the region the statistics they had compiled on railway transport in the two countries. Australia too was willing to supply information on railway operation in that country.

The Chairman, Mr. S. Chakrvarti of India, emphasised the need for expert advice, so that the countries of the region could make the best possible use of their existing railway equipment and facilities.

Mr. G. Ramchandran (India) and Mr. Majidulla (Pakistan) both referred to delays experienced in receiving equipment which had been ordered a long time back.

The United Kingdom delegate, Mr. P. J. H. Stent, said that Britain as speeding up its exports and if some measure of standardisation was agreed on, orders might be executed quicker.

Mr. Chakravarti asked the United States delegation whether priorities under Marshall Aid had affected the execution of orders placed by countries of the region for railway equipment, and was told that this was not the case. It was proposed that ECAFE Secretariat should use its good offices to expedite the railway delivery of railway equipment from manufacturing countries.

The Committee decided that a study should be made with a view to improve existing highways. Thailand stressed the need for developing rural roads, especially in order to rush rice to the ports.

The main difficulty facing road construction in Indo-China was lack of asphalt, said the French delegate, M. Jean Pernisse.

Indonesia said that it hoped in the near future to supply as far as possible, the asphalt requirements of the region.

SUGAR DOLE IN DISTRICTS

Arrangements Made

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Arrangements for distributing "proportionate quantity" of sugar to the people of the districts of the Bombay Province have been made by the Government of Bombay.

This was disclosed by Mr. R. N Samarth, Joint Secretary of the Civil Supply Department and Director of Civil Supplies (District), to the United Press of India today.

Mr. Samarth stated that 1,500 bags out of the stocks with the Deccan sugar factories were being distributed in the districts, besides 5,000 bags which were being transported to the moffusil out of the stocks with the Government in the city. "There are 5,000 bags extra in hand", he added, "and proportionate distribution is being made as between the city of Bombay and the districts".

The additional difficulty in respect of supplying sugar to the people of the districts, Mr Samarth pointed out, was that of transport, but he assured that everything possible under the circumstances was being done in the matter. He also disclosed that the Provincial Government had advised the district officials to allow more quantities of sugar to the people, as was being done in the city, during the Diwali week, if found feasible

There was no change in the general situation in respect of supplies of sugar, he remarked.

Dr. Ghosh In Switzerland

PARIS, October 10 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Dr. J. C. Ghosh, Director General of the Ministry of Industries and Supplies of India, has visited Swiss laboratories and a diesel and turbines factory at Winterthur, Switzerland, the Indian embassy said here today.

Dr. Ghosh also visited the French docks and shipyards at Saint Nazaire.

Crop Production Expected To Increase

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 10, (PTI): Considerable increase in crop production is expected in many districts affected by famine last year, it was announced after a conference of collectors of Gujarat here today. Only paddy was likely to be unfavourable in some areas, it was stated. Cultivators were anxious to sell foodgrains whose prices indicated a fall. The villagers were reluctant to purchase fine and superfine cloth as the prices were high.

Siam Rice Stalemate Blows Over

BANGKOK, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): The Thailand Prime Minister, Marshall Pibul Songkrah, has ordered withdrawal of all demands on Sterling Area buyers for a twelve and half per cent increase in the price of rice.

His order, given to the Ministry of Commerce ends a five-day rice exports stalemate in which all shipments to Sterling Areas ceased.

RAZVI'S PLEA TO TRIBUNAL

Protection Sought For Ex-Servant

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Oct. 11, (P.T.I): Syed Kasim Razvi today submitted an application to the Special Tribunal trying him and two others in connection with the murder of Mr. Shoebullah Khan, praying that a man named Ahmed Ali who was formerly his servant and who was willing to help his counsel, should be protected from being "molested by the police."

Razvi's counsel told the Tribunal that he had "no concern with this application at this stage". The Special Prosecutor said he too was not concerned with it.

The Tribunal after hearing Kasim Razvi ruled that they could not take judicial notice of the application as the application and the material placed before them were "too vague to take any action."

"However, we will call for a confidential report by tomorrow morning from the city police authorities and any action taken in this connection will be confidential" the Tribunal added.

The first prosecution witness to be further cross examined by the defence today was Syed Kadrirullah a Razakar, who narrated an incident following a meeting addressed by Kasim Razvi at Darussalam.

Addressing that meeting Kasim Razvi had made certain remarks against the editor of "Waqt", a local Urdu daily. His speech provoked a section of audience, witness said, and about 60 or 70 of them marched to the office of the "Waqt" about a mile away, threw stones and looted the office. Those participating in the looting then returned to Darussalam and rejoined the meeting which was still in progress.

Witness said Kasim Razvi had once complained to him about the propaganda being carried on against him by the two Urdu papers "Payam" and the "Imroze" and on a subsequent occasion Razvi had spoken about the murder of Shoebullah Khan.

RAZVI GIVEN ALL FACILITIES

SECUNDERABAD, Oct. 11, (UPI): Syed Kasim Razvi, Razakar Chief who is figuring as Accused No. one in both the Shoebulla Murder Case and the Bibinagar Case, is detained, while in court custody, in the Military baracks at Trimulgherry for reasons of security.

He has a double room at his disposal. In one of the rooms, he has his bed and in the other a table and a chair. Although the rooms are not very spacious they are neither very small.

Of late, he is allowed to walk in the compound for one hour in the morning and one hour in the evening.

He gets his daily papers and books that he wants to read. In fact, he has spent his time in reading. He is allowed to write and receive letters in conformity with the pail rules.

Eastern Germany Gets Its President

BERLIN, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): Herr Wilhelm Pieck, 73-year-old Communist veteran and co-chairman of the Socialist Unity Party, was unanimously elected first President of Eastern Germany tonight.

His election by members of both houses of the recently proclaimed Eastern Parliament took place inside Goering's former Air Ministry in Central Berlin.

Arrests In Prague

PRAGUE, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): Fresh arrests in Prague were reported today on a larger-scale than ever before.

Last night and early this morning security police went their rounds after a brief week-end lull. Evidence from first-hand sources shows that arrests have been going on for about five weeks.

16 Irrigation Schemes

BOMBAY'S FIVE YEAR PLAN

POONA, October 11 (P.T.I.): A total sum of nearly 103 crores of rupees would be required to be spent on the 16 major irrigation schemes included in the first five years' plan of the post-war reconstruction programme of the Bombay Government, and the Tapti Valley and the Koyna Valley projects, Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta, Minister for Public Works disclosed in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today during question time.

Giving details of the schemes, Dr. Mehta said, a total acreage of 2,559,300 was expected to be irrigated when the schemes were complete. The expected increase in foodgrains was 827,300 tons, he added,

The Koyna Valley Hydro-Electric-cum-Irrigation Project costing Rs. 4,560 lakhs was expected to be completed by 1964/65. It would irrigate 440,000 acres of land in Bijapur and generate 315,000 killowatts of electric energy.

Dr. Mehta said that the project was in an advanced stage of investigation of the dam site, tunnel alignment, pipeline works, generation and colony sites.

Of the 16 major irrigation schemes to be undertaken, five will be located in the northern division of the Province, ten in the central division and one in the southern division.

Dr. Mehta said some of the schemes to be completed will also benefit the new merged territories with the Bombay Province.

Claim Of Kapurthala To Be E. Punjab's Capital

KAPURTHALA, Oct. 10, (PTI): The Kapurthala Congress Committee has appointed a sub-Committee to press Kapurthala's claim to be East Punjab's provincial capital.

Recently some prominent persons, including Rai Bhahadur Badri Das, trustee of the "Tribune", had suggested that the buildings vacated by the transfer of Kapurthala Government offices to Patiala could be used by the East Punjab Government if Jullundur-cum-Kapurthala made the capital of the province.

Dr. Sen Elected Member Of World Archives Council

NEW DELHI, Oct. 10, (PTI): Dr. S. N. Sen, Secretary, of the Indian Historical Records Commission has been elected by the International Council on Archives as a member of its 'Admission Committee'.

Dr. Sen is the first Indian to become a member of the International Council.

STEPS TO CONQUER ALL CLOTH TROUBLES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11, (PTI).

THE Textile Advisory Committee has recommended reduction of ex-mill cloth and yarn prices by four per cent and the margin allowed to distributing trade by six per cent in the case of cloth and two and half per cent in the case of yarn, an Industry and Supply Ministry press note said today.

These recommendations have been made in order to reduce the price of cotton textiles to the consumer. The Committee met here yesterday under the chairmanship of Dr. Mookherjee.

To assist the mills to clear accumulated stocks, the Committee recommended that firm orders should be placed by Provincial and State Government nominees by the middle of the month of production in respect of the two-thirds share of production now reserved for them. The mills should be free to sell the cloth through licensed trade channels if no such firm orders were placed by that date.

As regards yarn, the Committee recommended that the mills, subject to their making arrangements for meeting the needs of the handloom industry, should be free to sell their production through licensed trade channels for a period of three months in the first instance.

The Committee endorsed the proposal of the handloom committee of the All-India Cottage Industries Board that at least one-third of the Government of India's requirements of cotton textiles should be purchased in the form of handloom products. The Provincial and State Governments should also purchase handloom products against their own requirements.

U. N. REPORT ON KASHMIR

Will Be Ready In Two Weeks

GENEVA, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Kashmir Commission was expected by usually reliable sources here today to begin drafting its report to the Security Council within the next few days.

The Commission is due to hold its first meeting tomorrow, but the Chief United States Czechoslovak and Belgian Commissioners have not yet reached Geneva.

Sources close to the Commission could not forecast today how long the Commission's report would take to finish. "It may take a week two weeks or more, but in any case, we shall try to get it done as quickly as possible" they said.

The Commission, they expected, would hold a press conference next week.

BOOSTING YIELD OF RICE FROM PADDY

A New Scheme Before Government

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11, (UPI): An ambitious scheme to increase the yield of rice from paddy by 6-1/2 per cent. and thus to save an amount of Rs. 68 crores at present spent on importing this quantity of rice, has been placed before the Government of India by Mr. V. S. Varma, till recently Adviser on National Planning to the Burma Government.

Explaining the details of his scheme to pressmen in New Delhi, Mr. Varma said that the machinery used in India for separating rice from paddy being "primitive" about 6-1/2 per cent of rice got broken, and mixed up with fibrous husk and silica and thus either was burnt off or was sometimes used as fodder, in the latter case causing harm to animals also.

To save this loss, Mr. Varma said, he had recommended certain short-term and long-term methods which were now under Government's consideration. His main recommendation was the replacement of present rice separating machinery by modern and up-to-date devices. According to the short-term plan the present machinery could be reconditioned to serve the purpose for the time being at an approximate cost of Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 3,000 each.

Mr Varma further said that he had met the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru and had explained the scheme to him. He had met the Food Minister and also explained his scheme at the two-day conference of provincial food ministers.

He left for Bombay today to see the officials of the Bombay Government in this connection.

LAND UPTO 50 ACRES TENANT MAY OWN

SECUNDERABAD, Oct. 11 (UPI): The Agrarian Reforms Committee set up by the Hyderabad Government to report on land reforms in the State will be wound up by the end of this month, it having completed its work under the stewardship of Shri Madhav Rao, ex-Dewan of Mysore. The Committee will submit its report to Government before it disperses.

The Committee, since its inception, has toured 7 out of the 17 districts of the State and found condition as the same everywhere.

It is understood that the Committee has favoured ownership of land by a tenant to the extent of 50 acres. Its report contains many other radical proposals.

Chinese National Day Reception

NEW DELHI, October 10, (PTI): Dr. Chia-Luen Lo, Chinese Ambassador and Madame Lo gave a reception this evening at their residence to celebrate the National Day of the Republic of China. A large and distinguished gathering attended the function. Among those present were His Excellency the Governor-General, the Foreign Ambassadors and other representatives of the foreign diplomatic service, Ministers of the Central Government and many high civil and military officials.

CHOOSE BETWEEN ORDERED CHANGE OR CHAOS

Mr. Deo's Warning To The People

GWALIOR, Oct. 11. (PTI): Mr. Shankerrao Deo, Congress General Secretary, who arrived here today, said that if Congress failed, what was happening in China would be inevitable in India also. Such eventualities must be checked with all force, he said, adding: "That is why India wanted to arrest the spread of Communism the objects of which are not in keeping with the conditions prevailing in the country today".

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He said people had misunderstood the meaning of "swaraj". After the achievement of "swaraj" they thought the days of merry-making, happiness and self-sufficiency in everything—food, cloth and other commodities—and come and the days of sufferings and sacrifice came to an end.

But Mr. Deo said, they (the people) forgot that they also had to do hard labour and strengthen the hands of their democratic government if they wanted what they desired. They shirked all their responsibility and blamed the Government for not being able to check blackmarketing, negotism and bribery.

Housewife Fills 15-Hour Day

STOCKHOLM, (P.T.I.-Reuter): The average housewife with two small children does between 80 and 110 different jobs in her 15-hour working day, according to a survey carried out by Sweden's Home Research Institute.

To reach this conclusion, the Institute has examined the daily lives of 57 typical Stockholm middleclass families.

A typical housewife's day goes like this:

Between seven and nine o'clock in the morning: gets up, makes coffee for family, finds husband's lost glove, puts elder child's hat and coat on take him to the kindergarten school, returns home, washes up breakfast dishes.

This entails 19 different jobs, the Institute says, because the mother finds supplementary tasks cropping up, like putting a new lace in the child's shoe and so on.

Between nine o'clock and half past twelve she washes the breakfast dishes, makes the beds, takes the younger child out to play in the park, prepares lunch, answers the telephone—perhaps with one hand while taking the carving knife from the child with the other.

This entails 30 jobs.

From two o'clock to six o'clock, she puts the younger child to bed, washes the lunch dishes, cleans the home, goes shopping, does some personal laundry, gets the younger child up again, fetches the elder child from school and prepared dinner — 40 jobs.

Between the end of dinner and bedtime at ten o'clock, she washes the dinner dishes, darns her husband's socks, knits a jumper for herself, goes up to the younger child who is crying with teething troubles, cleans the children's shoes, finds her husband's favourite radio programme and does a cross word puzzle — 40 more jobs.

Many wives last job of the day, the Institute says is persuading their husbands to make them a cup of coffee while they rest before going to bed.

DUTCH INDONESIAN CULTURAL TIES

Promotion Move At Hague R. T. C.

THE HAGUE, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): A draft agreement aiming at promotion of cultural relations between Holland and the Indonesian Republic was approved today by the Starling Committee of the Round Table Conference in Indonesia.

As the draft had been drawn up by a working group of the Cultural Committee, it will have now to be approved formally by this Committee before going to the Conference for definite acceptance.

The agreement declares that "these cultural relations will be based on complete freedom, free will and mutuality".

Devaluation Alone Will Not Save Europe

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fore, Western Germany is invited to join Western Europe, the better; provided, of course, that steps are taken to prevent her from dumping, as she can easily undercut prices on account of her low wages and the absence of interfering restrictions by trade unions.

The Washington programme and devaluation are both directed towards the same end—to overcome the dollar shortage of Europe—but these are only the first steps. It is up to Europe to solve the main problem and to revive intra-European trade. The formation of Western Europe is one step in the right direction, but it will only succeed if it becomes a real customs union. This could be achieved by a gradual reduction of tariffs.

The alternative for Britain would be an economic union with America. This however, would leave the rest of Europe to its fate, with all the attendant consequences.

NAVAL CUSTOMS

the naval collar: When sailors favoured pigtails as a mark of their distinctive occupation, the tar and grease applied to keep the pigtail stiff soiled the jumper and so sailors wore a wide collar. In 1857, the addition of three rows of white tape was authorized—and contrary to popular belief are not symbolic of three great British naval victories. The season remains unknown.

AMONG SMOKERS IT HAS LONG BEEN THE CUSTOM TO SAY

Player's Please

BECAUSE OF COURSE, THEY ALWAYS DO

JOHN PLAYER & SONS, LONDON

CANTON EXODUS IN FULL SWING

Officials Flee From City: Reds Within 50 Miles

HONG KONG, Oct. 11 (PTI).

EIGHT-HUNDRED Nationalist officials, including Premier Yen Shi-Shan, have led the exodus from doomed Canton in the last 24 hours and will be followed tonight by many foreign diplomats.

With Communist armies stabbing at shaky Nationalist defences fifty miles to the north, panicky Chinese stormed the emergency capital's air and shipping offices for last minute passages.

The British and French Consulates-General contacted their Nationals today to advise people not intending to stay to leave as soon as possible.

Australian, French, Italian and Portuguese Embassy and Consular officials left for Hong Kong tonight aboard the British coaster "Fatshan."

In Taipeh, capital of the Nationalist island stronghold of Taiwan (Formosa), Premier Yen conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek before flying to Chungking. He left Canton last night, and will probably be followed by Acting President Li Tsung-Jen tomorrow.

Yesterday 100 members of the Legislative Yuan (Parliament) left for Chungking in special planes. The Foreign Office will evacuate tomorrow.

There was no official confirmation of battle reports that the Communists had pushed through to a town 4 miles north of Canton.

LONDON: The British Consul-General in Chungking will temporarily represent Britain with the Chinese Nationalist Government, when it moves to that city, a usually reliable source said here today.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON (DECEMBER)

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.

Previous Closing	29.70
Today's Opening	29.73
Difference	+3
Today's Closing	29.76
Difference	+6

LAST QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

	Rs.	As.
Silver Kartak	166	6
Gold Kartak	109	4
Silver Bullion	166	0
Silver Mint	166	6
Gold Ready	112	12
Sovereign	75	0

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.

New York Stock exchange opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining unquoted. General Motors unquoted.

United States Steel Common unquoted.

United States Steel Preference dol. 136.—(PTI-Reuter).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).

The London Stock Exchange has become election conscious. Continued reference by political leaders to the possibility of a general election in the near future has reduced stock market business, but has brought rising prices to industrial issues. Higher levels were recorded today by miscellaneous industrial leaders, tobaccos, textiles, irons and steels. Views are that in the event of a change of Government, many restrictions would be removed and that the steel nationalisation bill would not go through.

Other sections however were not so bright. British Government stocks again moved to lower levels on selling by small holders. Fears persist that the bank rate may be raised and there was a steady flow of selling orders today with the small man getting out. Oil shares suffered from lack of interest and were occasionally easier on balance.

Foreign bonds were steady but rails were again inclined lower.

Forced selling at Johannesburg depressed kaffirs. This selling was the result of inability to finance the recent heavy purchases and does not appear to have reached its limit.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent).

MADRAS, Oct. 11.

Following are today's quotations in the Madras Stock Exchange:

Buckingham pref. Rs. 139/8, Cambodia Mills Rs. 10/3, Lakshmi Mills new Rs. 31, Mysore Silk Filature 4/10, Travancore Rayon ordy. 4/5, Ouchterlony Valley Rs. 5/8, Nilgiri Neerugundis Rs. 5/12, Coffee Lands ordys Rs. 6, Cochin Malabar Rs. 4/6, India Cement ordy. Rs. 17/9, Facts Rs 4/9, Spencer A Pref. Rs. 10/4, Parry and Co. pref. Rs 11, McDowell Pref Rs. 70.

HAPUR MARKET RATES

(From Our Correspondent).

HAPUR, Oct. 11.

Maize 15, Gawar 12, Bejhar 12/12, Matar Ready 14/8, Mangsir 14/9, Arhar Ready 13/4, Mangsir 13/6, Urd 15/8, Moong 20/8, Masoor 13/4 to 15, Quict. Gur ready 32 to 26, Shakkar 34, Crystal 33/2 to 60, Khandsari 60 to 70, Fagun opened 15/1, Later 14/13/6, Ready, Steady forwarded bearish Sarsong Traseed 26/25, Groundnut 22/8, Cottonseed 16/8, Mustard oil 90, Linseed oil 56, Oilcake 11/4, Oats 11, Silver Opened 166/8, Later 166 Gold opened 107/8, Later 107/4, Quiet, Bardana ready Red 118, White 132, Mangsir 117/8, March 130, very steady.

FUTURE OF FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES

21-Nation Committee To Submit Report

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations' Political Committee today set up a 21-Nation Sub-Committee to consider all proposals for the future of Italy's former African colonies.

The Political Committee also decided to suspend its own meetings and to await a report from the Sub-Committee by Saturday.

British Minister of State Mr. Hector McNeil urged speedy action by the Sub-Committee, pointing out that Britain had to keep order in the former Italian territories. Demonstrations had already occurred in Mogadishu, Italian Somaliland, last week and Mr. McNeil warned the Committee "there is a chance of further trouble."

Suspension of the 59-member Political Committee's meeting was agreed after the Iraqi delegate, Mr. Fadhil Jamali, had complained that small delegations would be unable to spare the manpower for simultaneous meetings of both bodies.

The decision means that debate on the next item on the Committee's agenda, the Soviet Union's proposal for a "Big Five peace pact" and condemnation of the United States and Britain as warmongers, will be delayed.

PAK RESOLUTION

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan Foreign Minister, outlined to the Committee a resolution to be submitted to the Sub-Committee.

It followed to a very large extent the American proposal in respect of Libya. That includes independence for Libya in three years and the appointment of an Advisory Council consisting of the United States, Britain, France, Italy, Egypt and one representative each of the inhabitants of Cyrenaica and Tripolitania.

The Political Committee adjourned until Saturday.

Drug Prices Revised

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay has revised the prices of certain products of Messrs. Parke Davis and Company and Messrs Ciba Pharma, Limited, specified in the Schedule to the Bombay Drugs Control Order, 1949. An order amending the Schedule has been published in Part I of the Bombay Government Gazette of October 11, 1949. Copies of the order can be obtained from the Government Book Depot, Charni Road, Bombay.

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SOVIET DEFENDS ITS BALKAN SATELLITES

No Violation Of Human Rights, Says Vyshinsky

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter).—The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky today denied that Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania had violated human rights. He counter-charged that the working classes in "capitalist" countries were denied elementary rights to employment, equal housing and equal pay.

Making his first appearance for more than a week at the United Nations, M. Vyshinsky was speaking in the United Nations' Political Committee, which was considering allegations that the three Balkan countries had violated the human rights provisions of their peace treaties.

For The Sake Of Discipline

POONA, Oct. 11 (PTI)—The Premier of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher, told the Bombay Legislative Assembly today that the Government did not consider it desirable to allow employees of the police and jail departments to form associations in the interests of maintaining strictest possible disciple in these two departments.

He was answering a question on recognition of associations of Government employees.

Mr. Kher said in all 85 associations of Government employees had been granted recognition so far. Seventeen of them had been given provisional recognition pending scrutiny and approval of their constitution and the remaining 68 full recognition. Most of these associations, Mr. Kher added, came into existence after August 15, 1947.

U. N. Official Found Dead In Rangoon Hotel

RANGOON, Oct. 11, (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Ogburn, 37-year-old American member of the International Children's Emergency Fund, was today found dead in a bathroom at a British-owned hotel in Rangoon. He had been staying at the hotel since his arrival from Bangkok six days ago. He was reported to be in Rangoon to distribute Rs. 200,000 to the Burmese Children's Welfare Fund on behalf of the United Nations.

A hotel servant who went in to Dr. Ogburn's room found the body.

Attendance In Tokyo Zoo Soars

TOKYO, Oct. 11 (PTI-Reuter)—Tokyo children will present a pair of Hokkaido bears to India and Thailand, which recently sent elephants to the Tokyo Zoo.

Attendance at Tokyo's zoo soared to 10,000, a day when Pandit Nehru's elephant, "Indira", went on show.

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Mrs. Hutheesingh and her two sons arrived in London on October 8.

Heavy Jute Slump In East Pakistan

MUNSHIGANJ (East Pakistan), Oct. 11, (PTI): The price of raw jute has slumped very heavily in Vikrampur before the devaluation of the sterling and the Indian rupee. Jute used to sell at Rs. 42 a maund and now it varies between Rs. 15 and Rs. 18.

Rice sells now at Rs. 41 per maund and paddy at Rs. 28.

JOURNALISTS ARE SERVANTS OF THE NATION

Mr. Srinivasan On Role Of Press

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BANGALORE, (By Mail).

The First Inaugural Meeting of the recently reconstituted Mysore Press Advisory Committee was held at Mysore, Mr. C. R. Srinivasan, President of AINEC and Editor "Swadesamitran", Madras, presiding.

Mr. Srinivasan described Journalists as "fellow workers in preserving the hard won freedom" and said they were all servants of the nation. He pointed out that Press played "no inconsiderable part" in the freedom movement and added that the freedom they had achieved was only that from foreign domination and not economic freedom, in the achievement of which, he had no doubt the Press would pull its full weight.

"We are passing through a cold war", he continued. "Our Government is confronted with task, which may easily overwhelm any other Government. The old Government was efficient in detail but it had no popular prestige. I do not think the old Government can compare with our new Government. If we criticised the old Government we had a right to do so since it was the right of a mother-in-law criticising the daughter-in-law. No true journalist can forego the privilege of criticism, because it is only out of criticism that public opinion can be built and out of this Government policies are shaped."

Speaking about the Press Advisory Committees he said they were working in different Provinces for the last ten years and had worked with satisfaction wherever there was genuine wish on the part of the administration to make full use of it.

Striking a note of caution he said it was only an Advisory Body and they did not want executive powers. But, he wanted the members of the Committee to realise, that it would be stupid and foolish to think that they had no important part to play. "You have very great part to play like legislatures tendering advice to Government", he said.

GENTLEMAN'S JOB

Speaking on a Code for Journalists, Mr Srinivasan said he was not prepared to attach too much importance to this code, since no code could serve the purpose if there was malice. He wanted Journalists to have one code—that it is a gentleman's profession and advised them to do unto others what they expected from others.

Inaugurating the Committee Mr. K. C. Reddy, Chief Minister of Mysore, said that Government were eager to establish good relations with the Press, since in a system of democratic Government Press had a vital part to play in guiding, correcting and leading public opinion. He was all for the freedom of Press but said that it involved a certain amount of restraint, farsightedness and even statesmanship. He claimed that in Mysore State there had not been such curtailment of freedom of press in relation to which there might be strong criticism.

The Chief Minister hoped that very soon a code of honour for Journalists would be evolved, but felt that internal corrective was more lasting and beneficial than that applied by anyone else from outside.

Stating that he looked forward to great assistance and help from the Press Advisory Committee (consisting of 11 Editors of local dailies as members) he assured that Government would not be tardy but would give every possible assistance.

Mr. R. R. Diwakar, Minister for State for Information and Broadcasting, who was present at the function, when requested to speak pleaded for the establishment of harmony in the country and for a realistic outlook to face the difficulties through which the country was passing now. With realistic outlook and establishment of harmony he struck a note of optimism that the future prospect was not dark for this country.

Personally he expressed himself against newspapers being subsidised and patronised in any way since "this psychology to ask for patronage corrupts our own minds and it curses both the giver and the taker." In this connection he narrated what he told newspaper editors of Hyderabad recently consequent on the stoppage of subsidies and grants they were enjoying till now that "the day on which your subsidies were stopped it was a day of deliverance in Heaven."

CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY

A brief four-day session of the Mysore Constituent Assembly was held recently in Mysore to approve the Draft Constitution for States with amendments to Chapter VI, which relates to States, of Indian Constitution as proposed by the States Ministry of the Government of India. The session approved the same and suggested some amendments to suit conditions in Mysore.

Most of the amendments approved by the Assembly were moved by Mr. K. T. Bhashyam, Minister for Law and Labour. One amendment of his suggested the word "Ruler" for the word "Rajpramukh", while another wanted to delete Clause 306 B, which vests the centre with supervisory powers over the administration of a State, or alternatively to exempt Mysore from the operation of the Clause in view of her good administration.

Another amendment adopted stated that previous consent of the State should be obtained in regard to fixing the boundary of a State instead of ascertaining merely the views of the Legislature of the State or the President, as proposed in the amended Article 3 of the Draft Constitution.

Before the session concluded it adopted a motion stating that "the Mysore Constituent Assembly recommends that rights, privileges, dignities including dynastic, succession and privy purse of the Mysore Maharaja, be determined by entering into a covenant between the Government of India and the Maharaja and the same be incorporated in the Indian Constitution."

In the general discussion almost all members were for the retention of Monarchy in Mysore since they had an enlightened Maharaja. Some members, it seemed paradoxical since they were drawn from the Congress Party, proved themselves to be such staunch supporters of Monarchy that they expressed themselves as very zealous guardians of the rights and privileges of the Maharaja.

On the whole it must be said that the debate was not of a high standard and save for some half a dozen speakers, who dominated the four-day proceedings, the rest of the members (the House has a strength of 76) were merely so to say "glorified distinguished visitors."

WAR ON PLAGUE

GENEVA—An intensive war against rats and fleas in an effort to eradicate the plague in India, China and other affected areas, is likely to be launched next year as a result of recommendations made by the Expert Committee of the World Health Organisation.

Under proposals to be submitted to the Executive Board of the World Health Organisation in January, this war would be waged by an international team of four or five highly trained experts.

Working in close conjunction with local authorities, their main weapons would consist of insecticides such as DDT and the new, powerful rat poison known as "1080" (sodium fluoracetate).

These "aims", the expert committee stated, have already proved their value in South America—in the town of Timbes, in Peru for example, where an outbreak of plague was stopped in only four days by the use of these preventives.

India would probably be one of the first theatres of this new anti-plague campaign. Other areas recommended for attention by the Committee include Morocco, the Belgian Congo, China and the Axores or Madagascar.

In his report to the Expert Committee on the spread of plague in the Southern and Central divisions of Bombay province and the plague endemic centre of India Mr. M. Sharif, Assistant Director in charge of the Department of Entomology of the Haffkine Institute in Bombay, declared that the domestic rat and the flea are the prime plague carriers in India.

Mr. Sharif defined the seven main plague centers of India as follows: three in the sub-mountain regions of the Himalayas; one in the hills of Central India; one in the hilly tracts of Hyderabad; one in the Eastern water sheds of the Western ghats; and one in the hilly region of the Salem, Coimbatore and Madura districts.

The domestic rat, he said, is the first and most powerful carriers of the plague.

Analysis of 16 areas of plague epidemic shows that plague is subject to a certain set rules. It has been observed that it moves along trade routes, through rat-favoured merchandise.

Commercial centres get infested first, and then plague radiates from them into the neighbouring villages.

The beginning of a plague period, M. Sharif explained, appears to originate with the rainy season. This drives the rats from outside shelter to burrows inside buildings and results in a considerable increase in the rat population.

At the same time, it results in a very considerable rise in the flea population.

The fleas come out of the burrows and attack human beings—and the stage is set for the infection to spread.

The new and powerful rat poison "1080" would be widely used in the campaign not only in private dwellings but particularly in grain godowns, where the rats congregate after the start of the rainy season.—PTI-Reuter.

W. Punjab Journalists' Hartal

LAHORE, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter):—A general body meeing of the West Punjab Union of Journalists today decided to observe a '24-hours' hartal in all newspapers in West Punjab tomorrow as a protest against "the action of the General Manager of the 'Sind Observer' in abusing and assaulting a member of the editorial staff of the paper."

In a resolution the meeting appealed to newspaper vendors and general public to join in their protest.

Liaqat In Dacca

DACCA, Oct. 11, (PTI): The Pakistan Prime Minister, Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan and Begum Liaquat Ali Khan arrived here by air from Karachi this afternoon.

They were accompanied by Mr. Mohammed Ali, Secretary-General, Pakistan Government.

Mr. K. Hanumanthayya, member of the Parliamentary delegation to Stockholm snapped on his arrival after attending the International Conference of World Parliamentary Union.

THEY WANT IMMEDIATE UNION WITH ETHIOPIA

East Eritrea People's Wishes

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 10 (PTI-Reuter)—The people of Eastern Eritrea want immediate union with Ethiopia, Mr. Ato Tedla Bairu, of the Eritrean Unionist Party, told the United Nations' Political Committee today.

The future of Western Eritrea could be discussed at a later date, he said.

The Committee was continuing its hearings of representatives of local organisations from Italy's former African colonies.

Mr. Bairu claimed his organisation represed most of Eritrea and particularly "the overwhelming opinion of the population of the central plateau" which he said supported 56 percent of the entire population.

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan Foreign Minister, said there seemed to be conflicting claims about the representative character of Eritrean organisations heard by the Committee. Previously the Eritrean Independence Bloc, said to represent eight parties, had demanded independence.

He asked Mr. Bairu if his party would be prepared to have the claims put to the test of a plebiscite of whole population of Eritrea.

Mr. Bairu replied that, although his party was anxious for a decision now, they would be prepared to have a plebiscite.

Mohammad Omar Qadi, said the aims of the independent Moslem League, were: Union with Ethiopian terms of equality of rights and duties; recognition of Moslems' personal rights and of the Arabic language, and appropriate guarantees for the protection of Moslems and their personal rights.

Answering Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan, Mr. Qadi said his group was formed in Massawa last September, but added, "The party is not new but belongs to the party established in 1947, which is well known to the United Nations members."

To a further question by Sir Mohammad, Mr. Qadi said the whole of Eritrea should be united with Ethiopia and that it should not be partitioned.

U. S. SIX POINT PLAN

The United States today put forward to the United Nations Political Committee this six-point plan for Italy's former African colonies:

1. Libya to be independent in three years.

2. Independence to be negotiated with the help of an Advisory Council consisting of France, Italy, Britain, the United States and two representatives from Cyrenaica and Tripolitania. This council to have its seat outside Libya.

3. Eritrea: The eastern portion to be united to Ehiopia, with special municipal charters and Asmara and Massawa.

4. The Western Eritrea to be joined to the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

5. Italian Somaliland to be placed under Italian trusteeship.

6. A Commission to be established, consisting of Ethiopia, Italy and a third senior member chosen by Mr. Trygve, Lie, United Nations Secretary General to fix the boundaries of Italian Somaliland.

The American plan differs from the British view point in one aspect—the establishment of the Advisory Council—as the British feel that they and French authorities can lead the territories to independence without supervision.

MORE TRAINS FOR SUBURBAN LINES

Steps Being Taken, Says Bakhle

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Electrification of fresh railway lines in the country in the near future was not justifiable on strict financial grounds, said Mr. K. C. Bakhle, Chief Commissioner of Railways, addressing the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce this afternoon.

Ninety-five per cent of expenditure for the extension of electrification represented money spent abroad, as India did not manufacture the necessary materials like cables, spare parts etc. Even the steam locomotive which cost only Rs. 80,000 in the pre-war days now cost as much as Rs. 4 lakhs, he said.

In reply to a memorandum submitted by the Chamber in last July, Mr. Bakhle said that express steps were being taken to clear claims as expeditiously as possible.

He admitted that steps taken by the administration to relieve the overcrowding in trains were not sufficient to meet the situation. However, they were trying their best, by building new and repairing old coaches, to put more trains on the track. Mr. Bakhle expected that more trains would be put on suburban lines in Bombay within the next 12 months.

Mr. G. V. Puranik, President of the Chamber, urged the supply of more wagons for the transport of gur to Gujerat from the districts of Ahmednagar, Poona, Sholapur and Kolhapur.

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FURTHER DROP IN TATA STEEL SHARES

Textile Issues Decline On Tired Liquidation

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

The Bombay Stock Exchange displayed easier tendency today on liquidation by tired bulls. The Government's move to bring about a ten per cent decline in prices and restrictions on lending by banks dried up the demand. Thus there was utter absence of buying which was mainly responsible for the general decline in prices.

Tata Steel Defd. shares opened at a decline of Rs. 25 at Rs. 1420 and lost further ground at Rs. 1405 on renewed liquidation. Thereafter there was scattered shorts covering and the market steadied at Rs. 1410. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 281 and after improving at Rs. 283 quietened at Rs. 282.

Bombay Dyeings opened at a decline of Rs. 11 at Rs. 1035 and after improving at Rs. 1037 steadied at Rs. 1035. Kohinoor shares were quoted at Rs. 271 while Swadeshi Mill Shares changed hands at Rs. 254, Scindia Shares were quiet at Rs. 14-6 and Indian Irons were done at Rs. 29.

Central India were quoted at Rs. 216/4 while Gokaks were done at Rs. 260/-. Simplex Shares were placed at Rs. 182/-.

Associated Cements were done at Rs. 141/14 and Belapur Sugar Shares were quoted at Rs. 192/14. Bombay Burmas changed hands at Rs. 331/4.

Towards the close there was scattered business. Tata Steel Defds. were done at Rs. 1407/8 and Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 281/-. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1033/- closing tone of the market was easy with utter absence of support.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	1033 12
Kohinoor Mills (3-2)	270 8
Swadeshi Mills (12-4)	254 0
Central India Mills (4)	226 0
Simplex Mills (6-8)	182 8
New Great Eastern (8)	144 0
Indore (8)	112 8
Gokak Mills (12)	160 8
Century Spinning (16)	222 8
Indian Bleaching	145 0
Swan Mills (2)	298 0
Finlay Mills (15)	258 0
Morarji Goculdas	436 4
Edward Sassoon (30)	210 0
Meyer (12)	106 4
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 12
India United Ord. (10-3-6)	11 1
India United Defd. (0-2-6)	1 12 3
Madhusudan Mills (15)	168 12
Podar (S)	136 14
Khatau Makanji (5)	170 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	281 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-13)	1407 8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-2)	136 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	141 4
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-3)	331 4
Belapur Sugar (9)	190 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (0-3)	30 0
Scindia Steam (0-3)	14 7
Premier Construction	96 8
Tata Chemical	11 7
Tata Oil (2) XD	51 8
Indian Iron (0-12)	28 14
Bengal Steel (0-8-2)	20 10
British India Corp. (0-9)	8 10
Indian Copper	2 8 6
Wimco	187 8
Alcock	246 4
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Power (25)	1520 0
Andhra Valley (30)	1425 0
Tata Hydro (3)	155 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (9)	56 8
Phoenix (50)	131 4
Indian Mfg.	3925 0
Kurla XD	107 8
Colaba	128 0
New City (11)	159 6
Minerva (12)	137 8
Bradbury	435 0
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	4 5
Bharat Mills (2)	29 0
United Commercial (8)	48 0
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	14 8
Model Mills (12-8)	193 12
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	660 0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	250 10
Western India (40)	2925 0
Standard (15)	223 12
Sholapur Mills (200)	2950 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	16 2
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-4)	51 0
Ahmedabad Advance (9)	255 0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	36 0
New Union Mills (0-8)	15 8
Madhusudan S (2-8)	35 0
Shrinivas Mills (S)	162 8
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	72 8
Berar Mills	250 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
ELECTRIC (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (4-0)	124 6
Ahmedabad New	71 8
Surat Electric (2-8)	145 0
Karachi Electric (2)	136 14
Broach (0-5)	6 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	7 2
Amalgamated (0-12)	12 8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electricity Supply (S)	133 12
Bombay Suburban XR	145 0
Bombay Suburban New	83 8
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35) XD	1770 0
Imperial Bank P.P. (8-12)	435 0
Central Bank (1-8)	77 8
Central Bank New	74 8
Bank of India (4) XD	174 0
Union (0-5)	7 3
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	119 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	40 8
United Commercial (8)7	48 0
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 12
Hindustan Commercial	17 0
Mysore Bank (8)	265 0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	94 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125)	4125 0
Empire (10)	625 0
New India (7)	52 0
Jupiter (1-4)	12 12
Vulcan (9-10)	11 13
Indian Mercantile (21)	37 0
Universal (9-4)	11 4
B.I.G. (1)	15 0
Industrial and Prudential	26 12
Neptune	7 0
New Great	25 0
All India General	11 14
RAILWAY SHARES	
C.P. (1-14) XD	113 0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (10)	246 4
Bombay Burma New (5)	125 0
Burma Petrol	1-8-6
Mackenzie (6)	65 0
Port Canning (7)	60 12
Kemp & Co. (30)	395 0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125 0
Industrial Invest Trust (3-12)	85 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	38 8
Mukund Iron	13 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	16 0
Alembic (10)	161 4
Supreme India X.R.	78 12
New Issue	73 8
Jam Wire (6)	67 4
Bombay Uganda	67 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	30 0
Indian Cement (1937)	171 4
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	152 8
United Motor	28 0
Associated Cement New (3)	139 0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	28 0
Sardar Carbonic X.D.	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrella Batteries	32 2
Manmad Press	120 0
National Rayon	36 8
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	198 2
Andhra Valley (7)	1235 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1340 0
Hydro Electric (7)	132 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	237 8
Central India (5)	625 0
Swadeshi Mills	126 4
Vishnu Mills (7)	—
Lakshmi Mills	260 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	220 0
Podar Mills (4)	105 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	106 4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	316 4
Surat Electricity (3-4)	137 8
Pre. Construction First	102 8
Pre. Construction 2nd Pref.	99 8
Amalgamated	115 0
Habib	72 9
Tata Chemical	117 8
Walchandnagar	130 0
Jupiter	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	110 0
Mackenzie (1st)	85 0
Mackenzie (2)	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mill	50 0
Standard	99 0
Madhusudan	12 0
Khatau	100 12
Morarji	94 8
National Rayon	74 8
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952	103 8
Gula Kajamsingh	8 9
Rubber Planting	17 0
Bombay Steamer	97 0
Indian Hume Pipe	101 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchandnagar	105 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 11
New Victoria	2 10
New Victoria 2 (Pref)	4 12
Palton (8)	114 0
Gold Mohor	282 8
New Kaiser Hind	420 0
Sajjan Mills (20)	155 0
Osmanshahi (16)	245 0
Azamshahi	275 0
Air Services	5 12
Air India Tata	70 0
Hind Motor	5 2
Indian Steam	8 2

Tone: Firm.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

Tata Ordinary 281; Tata Deferred 1407-8; Indian Iron 28-14; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 20-10; Bombay Dyeing 1033-12; Central India 216-4; Gokak 260-10; Kohinoor 270-10; Simplex 182-8; Swadeshi 254-6; Tata Power 1520; Associated Cement 141-14; Belapur 190; Bombay Burma (Old) 331-14; Scindia 14-7; Central Bank 77-8; New India 52; Tata 2nd Pref. 136-4.

PEPPER MARKET

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

Magsar delivery pepper business was reported at Rs. 2380 to Rs. 2400.

HESSIAN MARKAT

BOMBAY. Oct. 11.

	Pics.
45X11.	123
Ready	121
Oct.-Dea	
D. W. BAGS.	
Ready	135 0 0
Oct.-Dec.	131 0 0

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, October 11.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 200 bars of Silver at Rs. 164/14 and Gold tenders were rejected as they were priced from Rs. 110/8 to Rs. 111/. The present price of gold is due to scarcity of supplies otherwise there is no big demand. This being the position buyers are unwilling to offer tenders at current rates.

Forward silver opened today at Rs. 165/12 and declined at Rs. 164/8 on renewed selling but later steadied at Rs. 164/14. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 164/6.

Kartik delivery gold opened at Rs. 109/12 and declined at Rs. 108/14 and steadied at Rs. 109/4. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 112/12 and sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 75 -.

Final quotations were as under:—

	Rs. as. p.
Ready Silver	166 0 0
Kartik dely.	166 8 0
Ready Gold	112 4 0
Kartik dely	109 4 0

N. Y. SILVER SALES

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.

Silver: The tightness of offerings restricted business to 175,000 ounces at unchanged level. Demand was good and bullioners are talking about the possibility of further price increases within a week. London sellers remain holding off and rejected bids from New York today.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

There was no forward trading today in the local market. Traders are awaiting fresh developments.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, October 10.

KARNAK	
November	70.00+37
January	67.75+50
March	67.25+50
ASHMOUNI	
October	59.12+72
December	58.10+70
February	57.70+80

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

The local produce market was quiet with buyers less anxious to pay higher prices. Groundnuts December January were quoted at Rs. 34-8. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—	
Khandesh quality	44 8 0
Madras	44 0 0
Bold	44 0 0
Oil local mills	25 3 0
Oil up-country mills	24 2 0
LINSEED—	
Bold	33 12 0
Small	33 11 0
Oil	20 4 0
Castorseeds	26 12 0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, October 11.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98 12 0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 6 0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99 12 0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96 6 0
2 1/2 per cent 1960	99 6 0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 0 0
2 3/4 per cent 1978	96 0 0
3 per cent non terminable	97 6 0
3 per cent Con.	97 8 0
3 per cent 1951-54	101 11 0
3 per cent 1952-55	101 15 0
3 per cent 1957	101 5 0
3 per cent 1959-61	100 13 0
3 per cent 1963-65	100 2 0
3 per cent 1966-68	100 1 0
3 per cent 1970-75	100 0 0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104 10 0
3 1/2 per cent 1960-70	110 6 0
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	102 0 0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-60	110 8 0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	114 4 0
PROVINCIAL LOANS	
3 per cent Bombay 1962	98 13 0
2 3/4 per cent C. P. 1961	97 0 0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97 0 0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100 6 0
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 6 0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100 6 0
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent C. P. 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent N.W.F. 1952	98 2 0
3 per cent U. P. 1961-68	99 12 0
3 1/4 per cent Municipal 1977	99 0 0
4 per cent B.P.T. long dated	109 12 0
4 per cent Bombay Muni.	109 8 0
5 p.c. Bombay Muni. 1959	114 0 0
6 per cent Bom. Municipality 1954	113 8 0
6 per cent K. P. T. 1956	113 12 0
3 per cent Punjab 1949	100 0 0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Oct. 10.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. C. Rates T. T. D D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15 16 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying D D. 1/6 3/32 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying D D. 1/6 1/8 7th—9th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Donth.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435.

Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435.

Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 474 3/4, Montreal 431 3/4.

Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 472 1/2, Montreal Rs. 429 3/4.

Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 473 3/4 L/C., Montreal Rs. 430 1/2 L/C.

Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7250

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 7500.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79.

Switzerland Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 89 1/2.

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1033.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds. 79.

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83.

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 1/2.

Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 238 1/2.

New York/London Cross Rate $2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8. London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. not quoted London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4. London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70. London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35. London Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140.10. London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36. London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 13/16-1/2 29/32. London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 90.20. London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70. London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es. 80.35. London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 5.60-5.65. London Montreal Cross Rate $3.07 3/4-3.08 1/4. London/New York Cross Rate $2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8. London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02. London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 979-981. London/Prague Cross Rate K. 141. London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4-2/4 1/8. London Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50. London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 12,11-12.13.

London Discts 3 Mos. 5/8 p.c.

London Discts. 6 Mos. 3/4 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money: Call 3/4 per cent. 3 Mos. 1 per cent, 6 Mos. 1-1/4 per cent, 12 Mos 1-1/2 per cent.

Tone: firm.

CONTINENTAL STOCK MARKETS.

PARIS, Oct. 10.

BOURSE: The bourse was inactive pending the solution of the cabinet crisis. Price changes were few although lack of business caused occasional slight easiness which was more pronounced among internationals.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 10.

The quiet and uninteresting session on the bourse was due to lack of public orders. The quotations opened lower and after slight fluctuations improved a little towards the close.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 10.

In early trading, weakness in unions unsettled the market generally. However, the market steadied later with coals a firm feature and metals well maintained.

LONDON STOCKS

LONDON, Oct. 10.

2 1/2 p.c. British Consols	£71 1/2
3 1/2 p.c. Conversion Loan 1961	£95 7/8
4 p.c. Funding Loan 1960/90	£108 1/8
3 1/2 p.c. War Loan on or after Dec. 1 1952	£95 1/2
Chartered Bank of India	£10 3/8
National Bank of India	£32 3/4

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

MILLS

Apollo 2-11 2-12
Bharat 29
B. Dyeng 1037-8 33-12 37-8 33-12
C. India 217-8 18-8 15-8 16
Century 222-8
Colaba 118-8 18
E. Textiles 210
Finlay 255 54 58
Gokak 260-8 59 61-8 60 60-8
I. U. Defd. 1-12 1-12-6 1-11-6 1-12-3
„ Ord 11-4 11-1 11-3-6 11-1
Indore 115 12-8 (ex div).
Kohinoor 273 72 74 70-8
Laxmi 660
Meyer 106-4
Model 193-12
New Great 144 45 44
New City 159-8
Podar 136-14
Sassoon Cotton 16-2
Simplex 183 82 83 82 82-8
Svadeshi 254 53 56 53 54
Swan 298
Vishnu 227-8 30-10

STEAMER

B. Steam 246-4
„ Pref 237-8
Scindia 14-12 14-5-6 14-12 14-6 14-7

BANKS

Baroda 119
Central 77-8 77 77-8
„ New 78-8
Imperial Old 1770
„ New 435
India 173-8 74 73-4 74
Union 7-3
U. Commercial 48

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 124-6, 25.
Andhravalley 1427-8.
Suburban 145.
Surat 138-12.
Hydro 153 55.
Power 1522-8 20.

INSURANCE

New India 51-12 52.
I. Mercantile 37.

STEEL

B. Steel 20-14 20-10 20-14 20-9 20-11 20-10.
I. Iron 29 28-12 29-3 28-14.
Tata Defd. 1417-8 22-8 5 23-12 7-8.
Tata Ord. 282 80 83 81.
Tata 2nd Pref. 136.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 248-12 46-4.
A. C. C. Old 141-8 42 40-12 41-4.
A. C. C. New 138.
Belapur 191 80 91-8 90 90-8 90.
B. B. Old 331-4 28-12 35 31-4.
B. B. New 125.
B. B. Petrol 1-8 1-8-6.
B. I. C. 8-10.
I. Copper 2-8-6.
P. Const. 98 96-8 98 96 96-8.
P. 2nd Pref. 98-8.
Shivrajpur 30-8 31.
Tata Chem. 11-13 11-6 11-7.
Tata Oil 52-8 51-8.
Wimco 188-2 88-12 87-8.

SPECIAL

Ahmedabad Elec. New 72 71.
Laxmi Pref. 260.
Berar Mfg. 250.
Surat Elec. Pref. 130.

MADRAS SHARE BAZAR

MADRAS, Oct. 11

Following are today's quotations in the Madras Stock Exchange:—

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LOANS: Three per cent Paper 97 6. Three per cent 1986 97/7. Three per cent 1966 68 100. Government of Travancore Three per cent 1952/54 100 12; Government of Madras Three per cent 1956 100 8. Three per cent 1960 100.

BANKS: Travancore 13/4.

ELECTRICS: South Arcot 90.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 15.10, Mysore 39/8.

PLANTINGS: Chandramalai CD 1/6, Nelliampathy 1/0 6. Pullangode 1/3, Thirumbadi 1/12, T. R. and T Co. 5/7. Vaikundam 5/4.

TEXTILES: Balasubramania 38/4 Bangalore Woollen 206 8. Buckingham 139/8, Coimbatore Pioneer 126 8 Janardhana 50, Lakshmi 61 8. Madura 38/12, Mettur 315, Mysore Spg.6 Pankaja 86/8. Radha Krishna 144, Rajalakshmi 56, Ranga Vilas 45/8. Trav Rayons 4/2, Trichinopoly 9/14. Vasantha 100.

MISCELLANEOUS. Andhra Cement 69, F. A. C. T. 4/8. Mettur Chem. 6 5, Mysore Chem. and Fert. 7/10. Mysore Paper 10/4.

Calcutta Share Bazar Quietly Steady

CALCUTTA, Oct. 11

The market ruled quiet but steady for the speculative counters while other stocks remain more or less unaltered. Following are today's final transactions upto 3-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES:—Three percent loan 1986 97-8, three percent Govt. Paper 97-6, s lot three per cent loan 1959-61 100-14, three percent loan 1970-75 100-2.

BANKS: Allahabad Bank (onty) 229 s lot, Hindustan Mercantile 21-8, Imperial Bank fully paid 1,745.

COTTONS: New Victoria ordy 2-6, ditto pref. 4-10 Coals, Bengal 484, Burraqur 13-10, Central Kurkend 24-2, East Indian 32-8.

JUTES: A Anglo India 206, Barnagore 202, Howrah 27-12, India 135, Megna 115-8 s lot, Nellimarla 21-3, Presidency 6-3.

ENGINEERINGS: Brit Building and Iron 6-4, Burn and Co. 265 Kumardhubi Eng. 9-6 s lot, Indian Iron 29-6, Marshalls 6-5, Steel Corp 20-8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corp 2-10 Consolidated Tin Annas 15, Indian Copper 2-6, Tavoy Tin annas 12, Dalmia Cement 6-11, Sone Valley Cement 5-8, BIC 8-10, Calcutta Trams 17-6 F and C Osler 5-11, Indian Cables—, Indian National Airways 4-8, Jardine Henderson 149, Shaw Wallace 13-13, British Burma Petrol 1-10, Bengal Paper 43-8, Shree Gopal Paper 10-5, Star Paper 5-5, Assam Saws 8-14, India General Navgn. 110, India Steamship 8-1, Sugars Belsund 4-1.

Teas: Banarhat 283, ct., Dufflaghur 26, Sonai River 9 s lots.

MILLS ABSORB HEDGE SALES IN N.Y. COTTON

Wall Street Steady Awaiting Labour Developments

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.

COTTON: The market was quietly steady awaiting the bureau crop estimate. Meanwhile mill buying absorbed limited hedges and scattered liquidation. Following the usual adjournment the market reopened with small minor losses influenced by the larger than expected crop which was approximately half a million bales in excess of the anticipated figure. However selling was cushioned by the idea that the larger crop simply means that more will enter the Government loan plus stronger indications that marketing and acreage controls will be applied to the 1950 crop. Following some further modest selling influenced by circulation of the official crop estimate figures the market finally steadied on mill support and covering with some buying in next crops based on Washington reports indicating the administration continues to favour 90 per cent parity price supports. The market closed steady with sales approximately 135,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, October 10.

October	29.95—00
December	29.70—00
March	20.65—00
May	29.59+02
July	29.12—00
Middling spot	30.35—03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, October 10.

October	29.83+01
December	29.67—00
March	29.61—00
May	29.54—00
Middling spot	29.30—05

New York Cotton December Highest 29.72 at 10-12 a.m. hours Lowest 29.61 at 11-27 hours.

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS: Restraint was evident as many were awaiting labour developments. Restricted featureless trade brought only mostly fractional price changes. There's threat that the aluminium and steel fabricating plants may join the steel workers already on strike. But on the brighter side Government was prodding both sides in the coal dispute to bring about a settlement and negotiations will be resumed on Wednesday. The average were industrials 184.89 and rails 48.73. The price pattern was mostly little changed as the market continued to pursue an uninteresting course. Special situations aided some issues. Phillips petroleum were fractionally higher to 60-1/4 in an otherwise mostly lower oils section on declaration of regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents. The market closed steady.

Chicago Grains

CHICAGO, October 10, (Monday).

GRAINS: Prices declined under the leadership of wheat reflecting private advices of favourable moisture for the new winter wheat crop and continued slow domestic and foreign demand for United States wheat and flour milling interests were buyers on the decline partly representing hedge-lifting against expected four sales to the army today.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, October 10.

Wheat: December 2.11-1/2.
March 2.12-3/4.
May 2.07.
July 1.90-1/2.

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, October 10.

Australian Wheat 89/7-1/2 October/November.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, October 10.

London Silver Spot and Forward both 64 d.

Gold Bars fine per oz. £ 12:8:0.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, October 10.

American Telephone and Telegraph 143-1/2.
Amerex Holding Co. 32.
Anaconda Copper Mining 27-1/4.
Chase National Bank 36.
Cinclair Oil 24-1/4.
Firestone Tyre 46-7/8.
General Electric 37-3/8.
General Motors 64-7/8.
Ingersol Rand, 65-1/4.
International Nickel of Canada "A" 29-1/2.
National City Bank of New York 42-1/8.
New York Central Railroad 10-3/8.
Socony Vacuum Corporation 16-1/2
Texas Corporation 61.
Union Carbide 40-1/4.
U. S. Smelting Refining 34-1/2.
U. S. Steel Common 24.
Western Union Telegraph 14-1/8.

Volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,120,000 shares.

The Highest and Lowest U. S. Steel Trading prices were 24 and 23-7/8 respectively.

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, October 10.

T. T. London on:
New York, selling 2.7987 buying 2.8012.
Montreal, selling 3.0775 buying 3.0825.
Zurich, selling 12.11 buying 12.13.
Sweden, selling 14.47 buying 14.50.

U. S. A. COTTON BUREAU REPORT

WASHINGTON, October 10.

The Department of Agriculture today forecast a U. S. cotton crop of 15,446,000 bales. This is well above recent private estimates which averaged 14,871,000 bales and around half million above the September estimate of 14,943,000. Last year 14,868,000 bales were harvested. The condition of the crop on October 1st was 74 per cent. of normal, unchanged from September 1st, and compared with 82, the final condition of last year's crop. Yield per acre is now put at 286.2 poundsweight compared with 276.9 a month ago and 313.1 for 1948 which was the best on record. The census bureau reports that 5,309,000 bales of current crop were ginned before October 1st against 5,310,000 bales a year ago and 3,902,000 two years ago.

NEW YORK PEPPER QUIET.

NEW YORK, Oct 10.

BLACK PEPPER: The black pepper market was quiet but steady with demand slackening slightly Grinders and dealers were buyers of spot at 128 cents and sellers at 130. October arrivals were bid 127 and offered 129, November arrival bid 125 offered 126, December arrival bid 124 offered 127 cents.

Following are today's closing quotations:—Black pepper: Spot 128 cents bid, October 127 cents bid, December 121 cents bid, January 116 cents bid, March 97 cents bid, May 90 cents bid, July 76 cents bid.

LONDON PEPPER FIRM

LONDON, Oct 10.

Values on the London Pepper market continue to advance in the absence of offers. Black lampong afloat and October were indicated around 1lsh. 6d. and white muntok and sarawak at 14sh. per pound c.i.f. basis ports. There was some inquiry for Malabar afloat at 950sh. per cwt., but sellers were not willing to quote and October shipment was nominal at 950sh. per cwt., c.i.f., basis ports.

SINGAPORE PEPPER MARKET CLOSED

SINGAPORE, Oct. 10.

The Singapore Pepper market was closed today owing to Chinese holiday.

HOLIDAYS IN AMERICA

LONDON, October 10.

The Canadian markets, including the Winnipeg grain and the Montreal Stock Exchanges, are closed today (Thanksgiving Day).

On Wednesday next October 12 all the principal American markets will be closed (Columbus Day) and the Argentine markets will also be close (Discovery Day).

Sales Of Treasury Bills

During the week ended the 7th October, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,33,75,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Red M.L.A. Prefers His Hide-Out

ORISSA PREMIER'S PLEA FAILS

CUTTACK, Oct. 11 (UPI) Inspite of the appeal of the Orissa Premier through the press, Sri Baidyanath Rath, M.L.A (Communist) whose whereabouts are not known, did not attend the Orissa Assembly meeting yesterday.

Mr Umacharan Patnaik, against whom disciplinary action was taken by the Congress Assembly Party, was found sitting on Congress benches. But on receipt of a directive from the Secretary of the Party, he left the House.

Mr. Patnaik told the UPI that he was not going to join any other party in the Assembly, nor would he consider the disciplinary action against him as final until his appeal to the Central Parliamentary Board was disposed of. He felt that the Congress could be reformed only from within and he would serve no purpose by remaining outside the party.

Nationalised Elestricity In Madras

MADRAS Oct 11 (PTI) The Madras Cabinet at its meeting today approved the draft legislation which enabled the Government to nationalise the electrical undertakings in the province on payment of compensation to the present owners.

The object of the nationalisation is to ensure proper supply of power to rural and urban areas.

Asian Co-operative Conference

KURNOOL, Oct. 11 (PTI). The Asian and Far Eastern Co-operative Conference will be held at Lucknow from October 24, it is learnt here.

The conference which is being convened by the United Nations Organisation is expected to be attended by delegates from all Provinces and prominent co-operative institutions all over India.

SUGAR PRICE FOR NEXT YEAR

LUCKNOW, Oct. 11 (UPI). The Joint Sugar Board, which met here yesterday, appointed a sub-committee to collect the views of the various interests on the question of prices of sugar cane and sugar during the next cropping season. The views would be forwarded to the Central Government along with the recommendations of the Provincial Governments formulated on these views.

INDORE SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, Oct. 11.

To-day's closing quotations on Indore Stock Exchange:—

Indore Malwa 115, Hukamchand Mill 529, Bhandari Mill 631, Vinod Mill 374, Kalyanmal Mill 76, Kalyanmal Pref. 90, Rajkumar Mill 110, Indore Bank 63.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 11.

With the bear selling market was subdued and closed with a weak tone:

FLUCTUATIONS: Calico Opened 265, Highest 267, Lowest 264.

Arvind Opened 785, Highest 790, Lowest 782.

Ambica Opened 334, Lowest 330.

Deferred Opened 1425, Lowest 1405.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS: Calico 265, Arvind 787, Ambica 331, Deferred 1421, Rohit 102 8, Ahd. Cotton 305, New Jahangir 940.

KARACHI COTTON MARKET

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, Oct. 11.

Cotton New Crop Ready Sind NT 68, Punjab 289, F 75, Four F 66. Easy owing poor demand and official statement asserting no change will be made in export or import duties till end June 1950. Business of 500 bales reported in Four F December at 66 and 200 NT at 69/4. Exports nil, at current rates NT roller export parity works out equivalent of thirty pence per lb.

Cottonseeds NT New Crop Ready 6/8, November 5 11, easier. Gold 99/8, Sovereigns 67/8, steady.

STOCK EXCHANGE: Pakistan Industrial Finance Corporation 506/8, Mohammadi Steamship 95, Hydri Construction 96, Murree Brewery 8/4, Dull.

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

120	Ready Japan	3 12 0
150	Ready Japan	3 14 6
120	Ready Italy	3 7 8
150	Ready Italy	3 14 0
150	D. Box October	777 0 0
150	D. Box November	788 0 0

PRODUCE RECEIPTS

BOMBAY, Oct. 11.

Cotton Bales	4000
Groundnuts Cwts.	2384
Castorseeds	33
Linseed	7803
Tilseed	770
Cottonseed	1407
Poppyseed	356
Sugar	2838
Mehura	482
Sarsai	483
Rice	2173
Gram	7957

No Dual Membership In The Union Parliament

ASSEMBLY ACCEPTS NEW ARTICLE

Salaries Of The Executive And The Judiciary

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11.

THE Constituent Assembly today authorised itself to function as the Provisional Parliament of the Republic of India.

It, however, asked those members of the House who were also Members of a Provincial or State Legislature on October 6, 1949, to vacate their seats in the Constituent Assembly.

Accepting a new article, the House made provision for filling up casual vacancies in the Provisional Parliament caused by the resignation of "double members" and in Provisional Legislatures of the States

The article made a special provision assuring that a seat vacated by a member belonging to the Scheduled Castes or to the Muslims or the Sikhs would be filled up by a person of the same community, unless the President of the Constituent Assembly or the President of the Union should provide otherwise.

Mr. V. I. Muniswamy Pillay (Madras), Mr. H. Khandekar (Central Provinces) and Mr. S. Nagappa (Madras) said that Harijans were not adequately represented in the Constituent Assembly and this defect should be rectified in the Provisional Parliament.

Agreeing with this view, Dr. Ambedkar said that on the basis of population, the Scheduled Castes were entitled to 45 seats as compared with their present strength of 28. The President was left with adequate powers to modify the rules so as to enable him to make good the deficiency as far as it was practicable.

WOMEN'S SEATS

Mrs. Purnima Bannerjee (U.P.) urged that casual vacancies in regard to seats now held by women should be filled only by women.

Dr. Ambedkar said that he had no doubt that the President would see to it that a certain number of women members were brought in

The House deleted the schedule incorporating the Instrument of Instructions to the Governors, as no discretionary powers are left with them under the new Constitution.

SALARIES

Dr. Ambedkar then moved a number of amendments to the Second Schedule, laying down the salaries of the President, the Governor of the States for the time being, the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, the Vice-President, the Prime Minister of the Union, the Minsters, the Judges of the Supreme Court and the High Court.

The President is to receive Rs. 10,000 the Governor of a State will get Rs. 5,500 in addition to the allowances which shall be the same that were paid to the Governor General and the Provincial Governors before the commencement of the Constitution. The Prime Minister and the Ministers, the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker (Central and Provincial) are to be paid the same salaries and allowances they were getting before the commencement of the Constitution. The same rule applies to Ministers of the component States. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is to be paid Rs. 5,000 while the other judges are to receive Rs. 4,000, in addition to the use of an official residence. The Chief Justice of the High Courts is to receive Rs. 4,000 while the other judges are to get Rs. 3,500. Provision is made in the case of permanent appointments made before October 3, 1948, in the Supreme Court and October 1, 1948, the High Courts, for a special pay to reimburse for the loss in salary sustained by the new scale. The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India is to be paid Rs. 4,000 per mensem.

Before resuming business today, the Constituent Assembly paid its respects to the memory of the late Mr. Aziz Ahmed Khan of Bareilly, a member of the House, who died two days ago.

The President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, said that he would convey to Mr. Khan's family the "deep sympathy" of the House in their bereavement.

The House then took up discussion on Article 311, seeking to abolish double membership of the Constituent Assembly and a provincial or state assembly on the commencement of the new constitution.

PROCEEDINGS IN DETAIL

Mr. Shibbanlal Saksena (United Provinces) moved one amendment by which he sought to vest in Parliament and not the President the power to make rules to provide for representation in Parliament of States not represented in the Constituent Assembly before the commencement of the Constitution

Mr. Saksena also wanted that option should be given to the members either to resign their seats in the Central Legislature or in the Provincial Legislature.

Mr. Mahavir Tyagi said that the democratic way of introducing the new Constitution was by having a general colleges of Provincial Legislatures which themselves were elected several years ago, the present Constituent Assembly could not claim itself as truly representative of the people, enjoying their confidence.

DR. AMBEDKAR'S REPLY

Dr. Ambedkar in his reply to the debate dealt with only three amendments proposed by Mr. Kamath, Mr Muniswami Pillai and Mr. Pataskar respectively.

He agreed with Mr. Kamath that there was a certain amount of discrepancy between the provisions relating to the carry-over of the Deputy Speaker in the Centre and the absence of such provision in regard to the States during the transitional period. The Drafting Committee, he said, was conscious of the difference and proposed to introduce an amendment to make good the lacuna.

The House rejected all the amendments, while Mr. Pataskar withdrew his. The article, as amended by Dr. Ambedkar, was then adopted.

THE FINAL ARTICLE

The Article as amended and passed reads:

311. (1) Until both Houses of Parliament have been duly constituted and summoned to meet for the first session under the provisions of this Constitution, the body functioning as the Constituent Assembly of the Dominion of India immediately before the commencement of this Constitution shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties conferred by the provisions of this Constitution on Parliament.

Explanation—For the purposes of this clause, the Constituent Assembly of the Dominion of India includes:

(I) The members chosen to represent any State or other territory for which representation is provided under Clause (2) of this Article and

(II) The Members chosen to fill casual vacancies in the said Assembly.

(2) The President may by rules provide for:

(A) The representation in the Provisional Parliament functioning under Clause (1) of this Article of any State or other territory which was not represented in the Constituent Assembly of the Dominion of India immediately before the commencement of this Constitution.

(B) The manner in which the representatives of such states or other territories in the Provisional Parliament shall be chosen, and

(C) The qualifications to be possessed by such representatives.

(3) If a Member of the Constituent Assembly of the Dominion of India was on the sixth day of October, 1949, or thereafter at any time before the commencement of this Constitution a member of a House of the Legislature of a Governor's Province or an Indian State corresponding to any State for the time being specified in Part Three of the First Schedule or a Minister for any such State, then as from the date of commencement of this Constitution, the seat of such member in the Constituent Assembly shall, unless he has ceased to be a member of that Assembly earlier become vacant and every such vacancy shall be deemed to be a casual vacancy.

(3)A. Notwithstanding that any such vacancy in the Constituent Assembly of the Dominion of India as is mentioned in Clause (3) of this Article has not occurred under that clause, steps may be taken before the commencement of this Constitution for the filling of such vacancy, but any person chosen before such commencement to fill the vacancy shall not be entitled to take his seat in the said Assembly until after the vacancy has so occurred."

(4) Any person holding office immediately before the commencement of this Constitution as Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the Constituent Assembly when functioning as the Dominion Legislature under the Government of India Act, 1935, shall continue to be the Speaker or as the case may be, the Deputy Speaker of the Provisional Parliament functioning under Clause (1) of this Article."

CASUAL VACANCIES

Dr. Ambedkar moved the Article which makes provision for the filling of casual vacancies in the Provisional Parliament and Provisional Legislatures of the States.

The article provides for reservation for the Scheduled Castes, Muslims and Sikhs. All the Scheduled Castes in any province or State are to be deemed to be a single community.

Prof. Shibbanlal Saksena (United Provinces) said that the Constitution should not be "disfigured" by providing for reservation in the Provisional Parliament for Muslims and Sikhs that their due representation would be ensured by the Congress Parliamentary Board and by the Provincial Assemblies.

Mr. Muniswamy Pillay wanted to add the words "Scheduled Tribes" after "Scheduled Castes". He welcomed Dr. Ambedkar's statement on the representation of Scheduled Castes in the Provisional Parliament.

DIFFICULT TO REPLACE

Mr. H. J. Khandekar (Central Provinces) said that under the Article just passed eliminating double membership, 17 Scheduled Caste members out of 28 would cease to be Members of the House. These members were "tried leaders of the Harijan community" and it might be difficult to find other Harijan members to fill their places. He wanted the President to consider the cases of these members and enable them to be re-elected by the House.

Provision should also be made, he said, to fill the full quota of Harijan seats which he estimated would be 60 on the oasis of proportional representation.

Replying to the debate, Dr. Ambedkar said Prof. Shibbanlal in effect objected to the continuance of separate representation of Muslims and Sikhs in the Provisional Parliament. His objection was based on the ground that the Muslims and Sikhs had surrendered their rights to separate representation.

Dr. Ambedkar said that whatever arrangements had been made, they were made in respect of the permanent structure of Parliament which would come into operation under this Constitution. It would neither be right nor justifiable to alter the structure of the Constituent Assembly which in the main, was being carried over as a body constituting a Provisional Parliament.

"SCHEDULED TRIBES"

As regards the amendment of Mr. Muniswami Pillai, Dr. Ambedkar said that Mr. Pillai wanted to introduce a new provision for Scheduled Tribes. There was no objection to making a provision, but at present there was no enumeration of Scheduled Tribes who had not been recognised under the Government of India Act, 1935. They were included in the Backward Tribes. He, however, asked Mr. Pillai to leave the matter to the Drafting Committee who would make some suitable arrangement to give effect to the amendment.

The Article was adopted, while the House rejected all amendments.

Following a brief explanation by Dr. Ambedkar, the House agreed to the deletion of Schedule Four which dealt with the Instruments of Instructions to the Governors of States, which Dr. Ambedkar said were unnecessary since the discretion left with the Governor was "meagre."

Dr. Ambedkar then moved a number of amendments to the Second Schedule which stipulated the salaries of the Chief Executives and the Judiciary.

The House then adjourned.

NATIONS REDUCE TARIFFS

Agreement Signed

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 10 (PTI-Reuter): Eight nations signed here today the general agreement on tariffs and trade and put into effect tariff reductions agreed recently at Annecy.

The Agreement, which was termed by a high United Nations officials "an important milestone on the road toward multilaterism in international trade", covers about three quarters of the world's trade.

Concessions cannot come into effect until two thirds of the contracting nations have signed.

Those who signed today were Australia, Canada, France, Lebanon, Netherlands, Britain, the United States and Haiti.

Sugar For Saurashtra

RAJKOT, October 11 (P.T.I.): A decision to distribute stocks of sugar expected to arrive shortly into Saurashtra through 820 ration and fair price shops has been taken by the Government as an immediate step to make sugar available to the public.

Three special trains carrying about 650 tons of sugar out of a quota of about 4,000 tons for the interim period has been allotted to Saurashtra and is expected to be moved by November 15.

It was earlier decided to distribute sugar through merchants associations in various districts but as the arrangement would take some time, the government have decided to utilise the existing machinery.

Meanwhile, removal of sugar outside Saurashtra has been banned through free movement except for frozen stocks is being permitted in the state.

SUGAR SHORTAGE IN HUBLI

HUBLI, October 10 (P.T.I.): Sugar is unavailable throughout the Hubli market and some stock held by some merchants is being sold out at rupee one per pound. People were found visiting practically every shop to get whatever quantity possible but had to return empty handed for the last two days.

BERLIN, October 10 (P.T.I.): General Vassily Chikov, Soviet Military Governor, announced tonight that the Russian, Military Administration in Eastern Germany had been abolished and replaced by a Soviet Control Commission.

RAJKOT: Oct. 11. One Congress candidate, one Socialist and two independents will contest the bye-election for the Palitana constituency of the Saurashtra Constituent Assembly declared vacant following the resignation of the Thakore Saheb of Palitana.

FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF STATES MERGER

Criticism In Bombay Assembly

KHER DEFENDS PURCHASE OF NEW CARS

POONA, Oct. 11 (PTI).

THE financial aspects of the merger of States in the province came up for much criticism in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today when the House took up for consideration the supplementary statement of expenditure of nearly fifteen and a half crores of rupees presented to the House last week.

A heated debate also ensued a cut motion moved by Mr. T S Jadhav relating to the "necessity of renewal and replacement of cars for the use of Ministers every two years" and for the purchase of which a provision of Rs. 1,38,000 had been made in the supplementary statement.

Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin, of the Fourth Party, moved a cut motion of rupees 100 to the demand of rupees 1,56,659 made under the head "General Administration" for the pay and establishment of the two new Ministers from the merged areas. Mr. Shamsuddin said that in moving the cut motion he desired to have a complete picture of the financial and other aspects of the merger of the States. It was not mentioned in the supplementary statement of expenditure as to what would be the receipts from the merged areas.

As regards the privy purse to be paid to the rulers for which a provision had been made in the statement, Mr. Shamsuddin asked whether the Government of India was going to share the payment or whether the whole burden was to be borne by the Province. He also asked if the special features of expenditure existing in some of the States would remain permanent items of expenditure or be wiped out in the course of adjustments.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar thought that the merger would prove a bad bargain for the province. He said the Provincial Government should refuse to absorb any other State if such a proposal was brought forward by the Government of India.

Intervening in the debate, Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, said that the criticism made in regard to the appointment of two new Ministers was "ungracious and due to the ignorance of the member of the elementary principles guiding a party Government."

He said there was no question of appeasing any political group, but the appointments were made because of genuine necessity. If the Government had not nominated members to the legislatures from the merged areas, 88,00,000 of people would have gone without any representation on the provincial legislature.

DEFICIT AHEAD

The Finance Minister, Mr. Mehta, discussing the financial implications of the merger of States in the province said that the present estimates indicated that both at the close of this year and for the next few years the province as a whole would have to meet with a deficit. Revenues under the Provincial Heads alone would accrue to the resources of the province.

Revenues under the Central Heads would go to the Central Government and in some of the States quite a good portion of the income came under the central heads of the revenue. The pay scales in the merged areas were being slowly assimilated to the pay scales obtaining in the Province and that process would involve a gradual increase in expenditure. He hoped that the revenue in the merged areas would expand in the near future, if not in the immediate future, taking into account the undeveloped economic conditions prevailing in some of the States.

Mr. Mehta wished to make it clear that the process of unification was not thrust on the province, but it was a part of the policy which had been embarked upon in the interests of the country, and which had been welcomed by all. It might be that when a great event took place, responsibilities also increased and they would have to strive hard to meet those responsibilities. The union of the province and the States was of a permaent type and the Government of Bombay would have to face cheerfully all the burdens and responsibilities that they had assumed wilingly.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

The discussion of the second cut motion evoked a very lively and heated debate and the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. A. A. Khan, rising late during the discussion regretted that the dignity of the House had not been maintained during the discussion.

NEW CARS

Mr. T. S. Jadhav of the Workers and Peasants Party said there was no necessity for the purchase of new cars. It was explained, he said, that the old cars bought for Rs. 80,000 would fetch in Rs. 90,000 after two years of use. This sale was likely to be construed by the public as a form of blackmarketing and the Government would set a bad precedent. How could they then blame the sugar merchants who bought sugar bags at a lower price and were today selling at huge profits because there was shortage of that commodity? Mr. Jadhav asked.

SOCIALIST ATTACK

Mr. Purshottam Tricumdas (Socialist) supporting the cut motion desired to know who the experts were who had advised Government to 'squander public money' by going in for new cars. He asked whether the Ministers would have gone in for new cars if they had purchased the old cars on their own account. It was not advisable, he said, to purchase new cars in view of the financial difficulties facing the province.

Mr. B. G. Kher deprecated the 'intemperate tone' in which the discussion was being conducted, and said it was wrong to impute motives of dishonesty to the Ministers of the Government. The cars, he said, had done considerable running over all sorts of roads and the heavy repairs that might be entailed would not be commensurate with the expenditure that they would be required to undergo normally.

AMBICA AIR LINES 'BRIBERY' CASE

Licensing Official Pleads Not Guilty

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11 (PTI).—Mr. N. N. Mitra, former Secretary of the Air Licensing Board, Ministry of Communications, Government of India pleaded not guilty to the charge of corruption against him before the Additional District Magistrate, Delhi, today.

The other accused in the case, Rai Bahadur Jag Mal Raja, a director and the two managing agents of Ambica Air Lines, Bombay, Messrs. Bahadursinh Vijyasinh, and Vijyasinh Govindji, along with their Delhi representative, Mr. Shukla, also pleaded not guilty to the charges of corruption and abetment.

Mr. Mitra and the other four accused, were arrested in August 1948 and proceedings started against them in March 1949 before the Additional District Magistrate, Delhi.

OUT OF VENGEANCE

Replying to questions by the Court, Mr. Mitra denied having accepted a cheque of Rs. 12,000 from the other accused, by way of illegal gratification in consideration of the favour shown to the Directors of Ambica Air Lines while he was Secretary of the Air Licensing Board. He also denied the allegation of "abuse of his position as a public servant."

Mr. Mitra said it was true that Ambica Air Lines were granted a temporary licence, valid for two months, on or about Aug. 26, 1947, to operate on the Bombay-Poona route. But he was not being hostile towards any other air service.

Mr. Mitra said that the case had been brought against him, "out of enmity and vengeance."

Al the other accused also denied the allegations against them, stating that they would file written statements.

Manganese Ore Found In C. P.

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11 (PTI).—Manganese ore-bodies have been struck by the Geological Survey of India in seven trial pits in the Paonia area in the Central Provinces. This is disclosed in the Geological Survey of India's quarterly report for the period ending June 1949.

News BRIEFS

U. N. DAY

The Government of India have decided October 24, 1949 to be the United Nations Day.

STANDING FINANCE BODY

A meeting of the Standing Finance Committee will be held from 2-30 to 6-00 p.m. on Monday, October 17, in the room of the Hon'ble the Finance Minister in the Central Secretariat, New Delhi. The Hon'ble Dr John Mattahai will preside.

P.T.I.'s REGISTERED OFFICE

Mr Kasturi Srinivasan, chairman the Press Trust of India Ltd. announces that the Registered Office of the Company hith to situated at Kasturi building, Mount Road, Madras 2, has been transferred this day—12th Oct. 1949, to No 357, Hornby Road, Bombay 1

NEWSPRINT IMPORTS

A deputation on behalf of Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society consisting of Mr Ramnath Goenka Mr. Feroz Gandhi and Mr J K. Cowley led by Mr Deshbandhu Gupta, President of the Society met Mr K C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, on Tuesday morning to represent the difficulties which newspapers are experiencing in getting import licenses for newsprint ever since the commodity was removed from Open General licence.

NO GAG ON DELHI REDS

A spokesman of the Delhi administration on Tuesday told U.P.I. that the Government did not contemplate any drastic action either in the form of a ban or of whole-sale arrests against the Communists in Delhi.

AUSTRIAN CABINET RESIGNS

Austrian President Karl, Renner on Tuesday formally accepted the resignation of the Austrian coalition cabinet and asked it to continue as care-taker until a new Government is formed.

EXPLOSION NEAR CALCUTTA

One person was killed and another injured in an explosion on Tuesday in a house in Katal, a village about 16 miles from Calcutta. The cause of the explosion is not known.

C.-IN-C. IN MYSORE

General K. M Cariappa, Commander-in-Chief, Indian Army, arrived in Mysore on Tuesday by plane from Trivandrum. He was received at the airport by the Private Secretary to the Maharaja and High military and civil officials.

General Cariappa drove to the Government House where he is staying. At 10-30 a. m. a ceremonial parade was held at the grounds.

MADRAS RELEASES

Ten of 16 persons arrested in Madras city following the ban on the Communist party were released on Tuesday. The number of persons arrested by the police in the Province after the ban totalled about three hundred.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

The first day's sales of the Universal postal Union commemorative stamps which were brought out by India on Monday reached nearly Rs. 84,000 in the four cities of Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, it was learnt in Delhi on Tuesday. These stamps were also sold in all the other post offices in the country but figures for those sales have not yet been available.

MR. J. C. DAS DEAD

Mr. J. C. Das, one of the Directors of the Industrial Finance Corporation of India, died in Calcutta on Tuesday night after an attack of coronary thrombosis. He was 64.

BILL FOR ABOLITION OF "KHOTI" TENURE CRITICISED

House Passes University Bill With Certain Amendments

POONA, Oct. 11 (PTI)—The Bombay Legislative Assembly during its morning session today passed the Bill to grant statutory recognition to the Indian Women's University after incorporating some amendments moved by Government.

One of the amendments accepted introduces distributive system of voting in all elections to the University. By another amendment the Senate of the University has been empowered to determine the honorarium to be paid to the Vice-Chancellor who will be an honorary officer.

ISSUE OF GRANTS

The University can also now make grants from the funds of the University for research, to colleges, high schools and hostels recognised by the University.

Earlier, the House also passed a Bill to repeal certain enactments and to amend certain other enactments.

Moving the Bill, the Premier, Mr. B. G. Kher, said that the repeal and amendment of certain enactments had become necessary in view of the changes effected in the constitution and altered state of affairs following the integration of States with the province. Certain enactments which were spent or had otherwise become unnecessary or had ceased to be in force had to be repealed. Certain formal amendments and correction of a few grammatical mistakes and minor urinting mistakes in some of the enactments would also be carried out with the passing of the legislation.

"KHOTI" TENURE BILL

The House then took up consideration of the Bill to abolish "khoti" tenure obtained in the districts of Ratnagiri and Colaba.

opposed the provision in the Bill to grant occupancy rights to the permanent tenants in "khoti" villages.

If the government, he said, desired to confer this privilege on these tenants, they should first start by giving such a right to the permanent tenants recognised in the tenancy legislation.

There should not be any discrimination, Mr. Karandikar said, between the various tenants of the same category in the province.

Mr. Karandikar also opposed the method of compensation provided for in the Bill and said it was "expropriatory" and "inadequate".

BRITISH POLICY IN W. AFRICA CRITICISED

LONDON, Oct. 10, (PTI-Reuter): The "Congress of Peoples against Imperialism" today condemned British policy in West Africa, and called upon the Government to announce a date for the final inauguration of the area's independence.

It was the final session of a four-day conference which has been attended by over 150 delegates mainly of Left Wing groups from 18 countries.

It was decided that the resolution condemning British policy in West Africa should be presented to the British Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech—Jones this week.

RULERS WON'T GET STATES BACK

Kher's Reply To Point Raised In Assembly

POONA, Oct. 11 (PTI).

CAN the Government of India hand back to the respective rulers the States which are now merged into the Provinces? This constitutional question was raised in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today by Mr. Purshottam Tricumdas (Socialist) during discussion of a cut motion to the supplementary statement of expenditure to discuss the financial, administrative and other implications of the merger.

Mr. Purshottam said that these States and areas had been handed over to the provinces under the amended Article 290-A of the Government of India Act of 1935 and his reading of the Article was that the Government of India was free, if it desired, to separate these areas from the provinces and hand them back to the rulers.

Replying to this point, Mr. B. G Kher Premier of Bombay, said that these areas formed now a part and parcel of the provinces and there could be no question of them being handed back to the rulers. He quoted from the States Merger Order of 1949, issued by the Governor-General, in support of his statement. He said the interpretation put by Mr. Purshottam Tricumdas arose out of "utter ignorance" of the legal and constitutional aspect of the merger.

UNITY STRESSED

Referring to a statement made by another opposition member Mr. S. L. Karandikar, that the integration of the States with the province was a "bad bargain" for the province Mr. Kher said that the merger issue could not be treated as a bargain. "It is the realization of the dream of political unity which all patriots had been waiting anxiously for years. It is a tribute to the statesmanship of the States Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, that within a short period of eighteen months he could remove the stigma of Indian India and British India from which the country suffered for years."

He declared "The implications of the merger could not be counted in rupees, annas and pies, and what was necessary for the benefit of the whole country, including the merged areas must be undertaken. The necessary finances for good and proper administration of these areas which formed as much a part of the province as Poona had to be found.

City Ban On Meetings And Processions

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Order of the Commissioner of Police prohibiting processions in Greater Bombay between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. has been extended for the month, from October 13. At the same time, the Order prohibiting meetings and processions in the Fort area has been extended for two months, from October 14.

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ANIMALS IN MOVIE LAND

By Don Nathan

HOLLYWOOD (By Air)

Greetings from Hollywood, that very strange and wonderful town where many animals are high-salaried "people"—where dogs, horses and even crocodiles command comparatively large sums of money from movie producers, and sometimes even get star billing.

Even though a select group of the animal kingdom has had an exalted position in Hollywood ranks ever since the days of Rin-Tin-Tin, the stars (human ones, that is) of the silver screen, rather than be jealous of their four-legged or feathered adversaries shower them with affection and treat them like little children who need loving care and attention.

MOVIE HORSES

Your Candid Reporter decided that it might be a good idea to query some of your favourite actors and actresses as to how they felt about Hollywood's animal set. With this in mind, I decided to begin my quest with a visit to the ranch home of ALAN LADD, who was taking a few days off from his work in Paramount's "Chicago Deadline." I knew that Alan was a great lover of horses, and I wasn't at all surprised to find him astride "Rocket", one of his massive Palominos—a majestic animal with silvery, silken, flowing mane. Alan saddled up another horse for your Candid Reporter—and somewhat shakily I clambered on his back and went for a long ride with Alan through the sun-lit countryside.

When we returned to the ranch, we were greeted by that Parisian beauty, CORINNE CALVET, who recently completed her starring role in Hal Wallis' "Rope of Sand." Corinne had come out to Hidden Valley to visit with Alan and Sue—and most of all to take a look at Ladd's fine stable of horses.

As soon as Alan and I dismounted, we had a chat with Corinne—with horses as the main topic of conversation. We all laughed when we thought of BOB HOPE'S hilarious experiences with a horse named "Dreamy Joe" in "Sorrowful Jones." Watching the "rushes" of this picture, and seeing Bob ride that horse down New York's busiest street, we all agreed, is a screen treat that's bound to new world laugh records.

But enough about horses—though Ladd and Corinne did not tell me so much about those four-legged creatures that I could probably fill the proverbial book.

CANINE TRIBE

The next day I paid my customary visit to the Paramount studios—and the first star I spied was tawny-haired LIZABETH SCOTT, tenderly caressing Simon Jake. And from the deadpan expression on Jake's face, it was really hard to tell if he knew how lucky he was to earn the affection of the star of Hal Wallis' "Bitter Victory." And, incidentally, this Simon Jake is not one of Hollywood's new leading men—he's a handsome thoroughbred boxer, the mascot of Paramount Studios.

The second starry-eyed canine to greet the roving eye of your Candid Reporter was a French poodle named "Grumpy," resting comfortably on the lap of his mistress, blonde JUNE HAVOC. And despite his name, "Grumpy" looked mighty happy about June taking him to the studio to watch her work with Betty Hutton and Victor Mature in Paramount's musical farce, "Red, Hot and Blue."

And then I spied GAIL RUSSELL, enjoying a kiss as she had never enjoyed before—with the generous bestower being none other than her honey-coloured cocker spaniel, "Smithereens." Gail was spending a few playful moments with her pup between scenes of "El Paso," a Pine-Thomas color film which co-stars Gail with John Yayne. The black-hearted star, in talking about her love for dogs, told me to be sure to go over to the set of Hal Wallis' "My Friend Irma" where the centre of attraction that day was a pair of Saint Bernard dogs.

I bid a hasty good-bye to Gail and hustled through the studio streets to the sound stage where the final scenes for "My Friend Irma" were being filmed—and there I found the picture's lovely star, DIANA LYNN, sitting between these two great hounds—all three smiling willingly for the cameraman.

A PET CAT

From the "My Friend Irma" stage it was just a short walk to the adjoining set where Bob Hope, Lucille Ball and little MARY JANE SAUNDERS were going through the paces for "Sorrowful Jones." When I arrived there, lights and cameras were being readied for the next "take," and the stars were relaxing. The astute ear of your Candid Reporter had heard that Bob Hope presented Mary Jane with a pet cat—and since I was on an animal search, I decided to seek out Mary Jane and question her about her little tabby. But the elusive child star was nowhere in sight—until suddenly I spied her curled up in a corner watching her furry pet thirstily lap up a saucer of milk. Just one look at Mary Jane's expression told the whole story of how delighted she was to have a little kitten all her own.

Mary Jane told me that she was anxious to have her kitten meet Chauncey, a handsome Persian cat belonging to OLIVIA De HAVILLAND and who had accompanied his mistress every day to the Paramount set of "The Heiress." Between each scene of this William Wyler production, Olivia would sit quietly and fondle her wide-eyed pet just as she did the day I visited her on the set. Your Candid Reporter told little Mary Jane that he would do whatever possible to arrange a rendezvous for the two furry felines.

A BABY LAMB

And speaking of furry creatures, perhaps the cutest trick at the Paramount studios this year was a baby lamb featured in the arms of Samson in one of the big scenes of CECIL B. DeMILLE'S Technicolour epic, "Samson and Delilah." On the day that I saw the lamb, DeMille was patiently feeding him prior to his big scene before the cameras. It seemed sort of strange, to see a farm animal right in the middle of a big studio—but that little critter was a mere pittance compared to the massive bovine that appears with ANN BLYTH in one of the scenes of "Top O' the Morning." Even Bing Crosby and Barry Fitzgerald, Ann's co-stars in this musical farce, stood in awe as the pretty Miss Blyth calmly went through her scenes with the milk-giving animal.

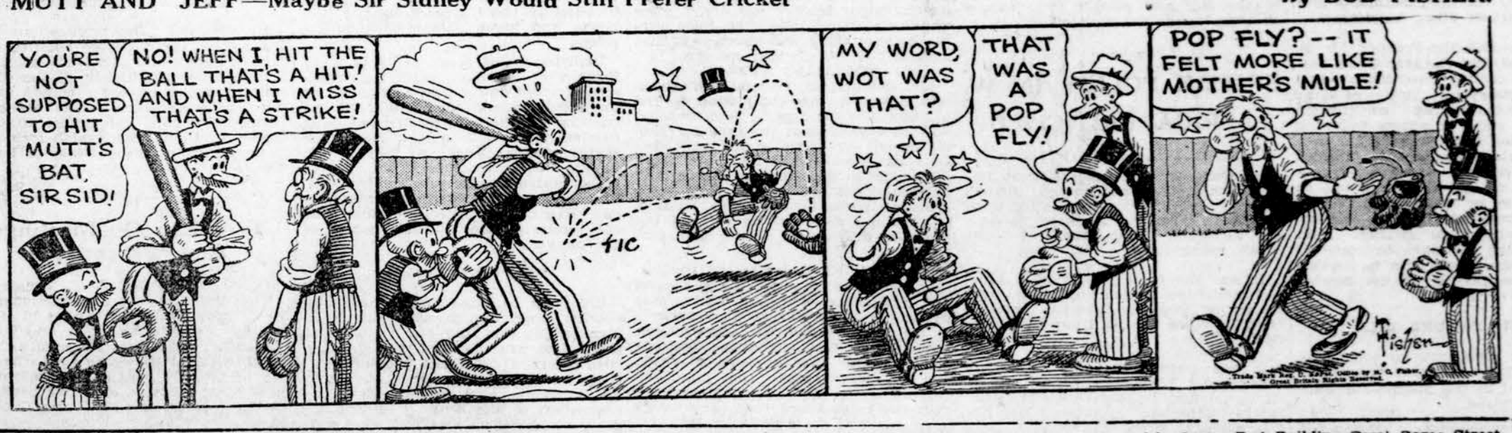
PUPPY LOVE

I thought that I had seen everything—but the best was yet to come as I paid a return visit to the set of "My Friend Irma" to catch a few more of the zany antics of Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, those two top-flight comedians who make their screen debut in this hilarious comedy. And there I found director GEORGE MARSHALL with a parrot perched on his shoulder and two baby puppies in his hands. Taking quick advantage of the situation, Dean Martin asked his partner-in-comedy why the parrot had such a sad look on his face.

"Oh that's simple Dean," quipped Lewis. "Our Li'l parrot is broken-hearted. He thought that Marshall was really and truly in love with him—but as soon as he saw the dogs in the director's arms, he knew it was only puppy love."

MUTT AND JEFF—Maybe Sir Sidney Would Still Prefer Cricket

By BUD FISHER.


YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO HIT MUTT'S BAT, SIR SID!
NO! WHEN I HIT THE BALL THAT'S A HIT! AND WHEN I MISS THAT'S A STRIKE!
MY WORD, WOT WAS THAT?
THAT WAS A POP FLY!
POP FLY?—IT FELT MORE LIKE MOTHER'S MULE!
Fisher

Congress Government Can't Go Faster To Win Elections

OLD PROMISES MUST BE KEPT, SAYS PATTABHI

Cordial Relations Between High Command & Centre

KANPUR, Oct. 11, (PTI):

DR. PATTABHI SITARAMAYYA, Congress President, said here today that the relationship between the Congress Working Committee and the Central Cabinet was "very friendly." "I know", he said, "such a state of affairs is sometimes reviled as indicating that the Working Committee is the rubber stamp of the Cabinet, but it is better to be a rubber stamp than a punching machine."

The Congress President, who had been asked at a press conference what were the present relations between the Congress Ministry at the Centre and the Congress Working Committee, said that the Congress Ministry had to be manned by the Party in the first instance. There was no direct connection between the Central Cabinet and the Congress organisation as such, or between any Provincial Congress Committee and the Provincial Government or the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee.

Questions of general interest were handled by the Congress Working Committee, and these might concern departments of the Central Government. But so far as the Delhi administration was concerned, there was no connection whatsoever The Central Legislature and the Congress Party being on the spot they helped the Government on matters of policy, and not on the details of administration.

Replying to a question whether there was a tendency on the part of certain ministers at the Centre to "side-track the issue of Hindi being the national language", the Congress President said that so long as there was a mixed Cabinet there were bound to be such tendencies. "A South Indian who does not know Hindi cannot be expected to deliver budget speeches in Hindi or answer questions in Hindi," the Congress President said. "I am surprised when you say that men at the Centre are trying to side-track the issue of Hindi. You do not seem to realise the difficulty.

When speeches are made in Urdu and Hindustani in Parliament, the whole thing has to be translated into English. At least in the Centre the struggle is between Hindi and English. In Madras the struggle is between English and four regional languages. We cannot introduce Hindi straightaway.

Even in your own Province of U. P. some ministers in U. P. introduced writing office notes in Hindi but that practice had to be given up in less than a week although U.P. is a homogeneous Province and all the ministers are Hindi knowing people. If that is the position in U.P., what could we expect at the Centre?"

Question: Why has India made a common cause, consciously or unconsciously, with the Commonwealth?

Answer: India is allied to the Commonwealth, it is not a party to the Western Bloc. It has not made a common cause with it. Why unconsciously? Consciously. Bharat has joined the Commonwealth consciously and deliberately. Its rupee is yoked to the sterling, and long intimacy with Britain, intimate knowledge of English and close intercourse with British traditions are factors not to be ignored. But Bharat is free to make its choice when the time for choice comes.

Question: Don't you think that the Congress Governments should do something more tangible and better to win the coming elections?

MUST STICK TO OLD MANIFESTO

Answer: What Congress Governments should or should not do has no relation with forthcoming elections. They have to adhere to the past election manifestos in which they have made certain promises.

The question is whether they are trying to fulfil them. I know what you mean, that the achievement is not commensurate with the promises. It cannot be. Promises are based on ideals, and achivements are based on practicality.

I may repeat here what I said at Jaipur. The people cry for the moon, but the ministers show the candle. There is abvious difficulty in realising our programmes and promises. Nationalisation or national control of key industries has not begun yet except in regard to transport. Nationalisation is out of question for the time being. National control is being introduced slowly.

If you take over property without compensation, it is opposed to the manifesto.

If you print sufficient notes at Nasik it will be causing inflation and prodigal rise in prices and profound discontent among the people, those very people in whose interest nationalisation was sought will suffer from inflation.

Continuing, Dr. Pattabhi said: "Some time ago to combat inflation a professor of economics advised suspension of Zamindari Abolition, holding over of river projects postponment of prohibition and import of consumers goods. Now the criticism is that Government should not have imported any consumer goods last year. It is a folly.

Phohibition involves a moral issue which should not hinge upon the financial issue.

Postponment of river projects would impede the "grow more food" would impede the "grow more food" campaign.

Not to abolish Zamindari is opposed to our manifesto.

GROPING IN THE DARK

Our ministers are groping their way in the dark in which there are pitfalls as well as mounds. One has to reach one's destination in spite of all these difficulties. This accounts for your demand that the Congress Government should go faster to win the next elections.

Enquired what steps the Congress Working Committee proposed to take to find ont the whereabouts of Netaji Subhas Bose in view of the present press reports, he replied that the Government had stated that they had no information as mentioned by Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, the Congress Working Committee had neither the facilities nor resources to organise an investigation from Germany to Japan.

BEHIND NEHRU'S BACK?

Question: There is a doubt expressed in certain circles here that the question regarding R.S.S. was deliberately taken up in the Congress Working Committee in the absence of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Answer: Congress agenda is prepared in a certain order. This agenda had been running for three months. The Congress Working Committee met on October 4 in order to have the benefit of the Prime Minister's presence. It was not expected to continue meeting on the fifth or on the fourth afternoon. But so little progress was made on the morning of the fifth that we did only two subjects; namely, Bengal and linguistic provinces. There were 20 other questions remaining. A reference from Bihar about R.S.S. was the cause of the subject being taken up. It arose only incidentally. It was the 13th or 14th subject on the agenda. Other subjects were of great organisational importance. So we decided to have a sitting in the morning. On this day the Prime Minister left. We had seven ministers on the Working Committee. Now we have six. It is impossible to suit the working time to the convenience of all ministers. Sometimes we have to hold meetings in the absence of important members. The agenda of the Working Committee is not generally previously circulated. It is presented to the members there and then few people take notes of what the contents of the agenda were. I myself had no idea of the significance of this subject. When on the seventh it was taken in due course there was no calculation about it. Consideration of it was neither advanced nor delayed. It came strictly in a chronological course. Until now when you tell me now that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was absent, this fact is not before my vision. There was absolutely no intention anywhere of giving particular personal emphasis. All subjects came in due course.

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

THE EDITOR has had an angry visitor, and, as I crouched at my little desk, I heard a thing or two. Obviously, the Editor was being ticked off and, I can assure you, we all enjoyed it. Not since Mrs. —stepped into the office and asked why her concert had not been noticed—but well that is another story. The subject of the talking to was the Congress Working Committee resolution on the R.S.S. The visitor was obviously R.S.S. himself and one that was fairly high up or he assumed too much. As his temper arose, he lapsed into Marathi, the language par excellence of the R.S.S. What I overheard in full blast was, "Attha jodhe chatala ahle," which being interpreted means, "Now they have come to lick our shoes." The visitor was very definite that the R.S.S. would spurn the Congress carrot with contempt. And it was interesting to learn this for one must be grateful for any little thing which might save the Congress from the mistake of its executive.

All this set us—well, talking if not thinking. Our Junior, Colleague who professes to have a profound knowledge of history and whose view of things is global, has decided that there is a close analogy between the R.S.S. progress in Indian politics and the rise of Nazism and Fascism in Europe. Like Mussolini and Hitler who both led feeble demonstrations in the early part of their career and got locked up in jail the Sarasanghchalak also challenged the Government, led his forces and got clapped into jail. Like the two others, Mr. Golwalker was rescued from incarceration by influential friends in power and out. Like them again, he has gained strength because the dominant party wishes to ward off the leftists. Like the Duce and the Fuehrer, Guruji too has a certain support from business and even the wealthy of other communities because they feel that he might not be even as extreme in economic matters as the Congress is. The Junior Colleague who is apt to stretch many points in order to build his analogy perfect, professes to see a march on Delhi to parallel the March on Rome and the March on Berlin. And, he says triumphantly, at least Hitler too professed to be more interested in culture than in politics.

Just when this parallel was being beautifully built up, the storm burst. The Oldest Member of the staff who is inclined to be facetious at serious moments and hence always gets into trouble, objected. Seeing that in one important respect —the beard— Hitler, Mussolini, Salazar, Franco and even Stalin all differed from Guruji, he saw no point in pursuing the subject further. The only analogy he could find was Kassim Razvi. And as the matter is sub judice, we promptly told him to keep silent. Well, he said, then what about Master Tara Singh? What about P

Pre-Payment To Zamindars

MADRAS PLAN

MADRAS, Oct. 11, (PTI): The Government of Madras has decided to make "advance payments" to zamindars from the amount payable to them as compensation for acquisition of their estates.

According to the existing provisions of the Estates Abolition Act, zamindars are to be paid an interim payment annually, equivaleht to 25 per cent of the income of the estate. This payment will be continued until they are finally compensated after the figure is worked out after survey and settlement of the estates.

The proposal to make "advance payment" was considered by the Madras Cabinet at its meeting today in the light of the discussion which the provincial Premier, Mr. P. S. Kumaraswami Raja, had with the Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel last week in Delhi. It is understood the Cabinet approve the principles underlying the proposal which would necessitate an amendment of the Estates Abolition Act of 1948.

Socialists Going Back On Their Plighted Word

FALSE PROPAGANDA ABOUT ABOLITION OF ZAMINDARIS

MUZAFFARNAGAR, Oct. 10 (P.T.I.):

PANDIT GOVIND BALLABH PANT, Premier of the United Provinces yesterday warned Kisans against socialist "misrepresentations" in connection with the drive for the collection of a Zamindari Abolition Fund.

The Premier was referring to the Socialists' claim that they would get Zamindari abolished without payment of any compensation.

Addressing about 20,000 Kisans at the Muzaffarnagar District Political Conference at Shamli, the Premier said that when Socialists, who were also a party to the Congress Manifesto embodying a pledge to abolish Zamindari after payment of a reasonable compensation, were going back on the pledge they had taken, there could be no hope that they would keep up the promise which they were offering to Kisans now.

Pandit Pant said that he was told that it was being represented to tenantry by some people that Mahatma Gandhi had not been in favour of the abolition of Zamindari on payment of compensation. Such a statement was totally false and unfounded, the Premier asserted. The Congress Manifesto was issued with the full approval of Mahatma Gandhi, he added. The Premier trusted that Kisans would guard themselves against any misleading propaganda and pay what is asked of them immediately to acquire Bhumidhari Rights and put an end to the Zamindari system.

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